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Dear [Redacted]

Mr. Hoover received your letter of  
May 28th and asked me to thank you for your kind  
comments.

In response to your inquiry, information  
in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confi-  
dential in accordance with regulations of the Department  
of Justice. Please do not infer that this Bureau does  
or does not have the data you requested.

Enclosed is some literature it is hoped  
will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy  
Secretary

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As long as men like you are in key positions of our government I feel fairly safe that the rights of individuals will be protected, but with the growing power of the colored people through the NAACP and the lack of concern of our Supreme Court Judges for the rights of white people as well as the Supreme Court Judges lack of concern for the traditional culture and heritage of the white people whose ancestors founded this nation I find myself dreading to face the future. I think often of a statement made by ex-Pres. Herbert Hoover in one of his birthday speeches. He said this... "America's greatest danger is not communism but its fuzzy-minded intellectuals"! I can see that these fuzzy-minded intellectuals are gaining control of more key positions in government each year as well as the strong influence of apparent communist controlled agitators. My ancestors for many generations back here in America, England, Wales, etc. are white and in studying their history I find that they are not aggressive, but they will not be pushed into anything that is against their principles, honor and best judgment.

Now the reason for writing this letter... I have been told that Martin Luther King is a communist controlled agitator and is carrying out a communist plan called "operation paralysis", which is designed to destroy our nation internally. If this is so, why can't they be exposed by our government and dealt with accordingly? As you can plainly see from the tone of my letter I am confused, my friends are confused and it seems the top men in government are confused.

Again I say as long as you are with us I feel that truth will be protected, and pray that God will prepare not only one man to carry on after you retire but a great army of men with your dedication to truth and justice.

Respectfully yours,

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BY COURIER SERVICE

Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. O'Donnell:

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I advised the Attorney General of the above information and he suggested that the President should see this letter.

Sincerely yours,

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The Attorney General

Director, FBI

REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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1 - Mr. Freund  
1 - Mr. Lavin  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Sullivan

There is attached for your information a concise summary concerning background information on Stanley David Levison who has been described by an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past as a secret member of the Communist Party, USA.

Also set forth is a summary of information received from confidential sources of contacts made by Levison concerning Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and Clarence Jones, the Acting Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights.

Although this information has been brought to your attention in the past on separate occasions, I thought you would be interested in having readily available a brief summary of these contacts and the background information on Levison.

Enclosure

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General -  
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- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

Stanley David Levison was born May 2, 1912, in New York City. He attended public schools in the New York City area and graduated from Far Rockaway High School in June, 1930. He attended the University of Michigan from September, 1930, to June, 1931, and Columbia University for approximately two years during the period 1931 to 1935 but received no degrees. He entered St. John's Law School, New York City, in September, 1935, and received a Bachelor of Laws degree in June, 1938, and was awarded a Master's degree in law in June, 1939. Levison is an attorney and businessman and maintains his office at Six East 29th Street, New York City. Levison has had an interest in a variety of businesses having to do with real estate, manufacturing and servicing of photographic equipment, machine tool manufacturing and various other enterprises. Among past business associates of Levison who have been described as members of the Communist Party by informants who have furnished reliable information in the past are Samuel Warshawer, Walbro Frazier, Roger W. Loewi and Victor Ludwig. Stanley Levison resides at 535 West End Avenue, New York City, with his wife Beatrice. He was classified 4-F by his draft board and has had no military service.

An informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised in April, 1962, that Levison had been subpoenaed to appear before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee (SISS) in Washington, D. C., on April 30, 1962. The same informant advised on May 1, 1962, that Levison had stated that he had appeared the previous day before the SISS and that Senator John McClellan had remarked that he, Levison, was the worst witness who had ever appeared before that Committee.

In March, 1963, an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA). The

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On April 16, 1962, a source furnished information that Levison was forming in King's name an organization to be known as the Ghandi Society for Human Rights. Levison planned to send invitations signed by King to about twenty prominent people to attend a luncheon on May 17, 1962, in Washington, D. C. The President and the Attorney General as well as other prominent individuals were among those being considered for an invitation. (Furnished White House & AG 4/20/62, [REDACTED] b(1) b(2) b(7)(D)

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A source advised that on March 19, 1963, Stanley Levison was contacted by Hunter Pitts O'Dell.

O'Dell allegedly told Levison that Carey McWilliams of "The Nation" magazine called O'Dell and told him that he had received Reverend Martin Luther King's article. King's article was published in the March 30, 1963, edition of "The Nation." McWilliams was so impressed by the article that he recommended all members of Congress be sent copies of the article. Levison instructed O'Dell to drop King a line informing him of McWilliams' opinion of the article. (Furnished White House & AG, 3/26/63, [REDACTED], 157-286-8 & 100-106670-119) b(2) b(7)(D)

A source advised on June 20, 1962, that Levison told Hunter Pitts O'Dell that in a recent conversation, King had stated he was thinking of getting another administrative assistant. When Levison recommended O'Dell for the job, King said he liked the suggestion "no matter what a man was, if he can stand up now and say he is not connected then as far as I am concerned he is eligible to work for me." (Furnished AG, 6/25/62, [REDACTED], 100-106670-79, 80) b(1)

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informant also advised in June, 1956, that several years previously Stanley Levison and his brother, Roy Bennett, were organizers for the Communist Party in the Rockaway district of New York. Another informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised in 1954 that Stanley Levison was a member of the CPUSA Committee on Finances and that he was an assistant to Jack Kling who then functioned as national treasurer of the CPUSA. ~~SECRET~~

**CONTACTS OF LEVISON CONCERNING REVEREND  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND CLARENCE JONES**

On March 20, 1962, Levison received a call from one of Reverend Mr. King's assistant's, Reverend Wyatt Tee Walker, concerning Judge William Henry Hastie. According to the source, King wanted Levison's opinion as to the strategy he, King, should use in attempting to influence the President to appoint Judge Hastie to the Supreme Court. Levison said that King should publicly advocate the appointment of Judge Hastie since the Negroes would expect a Negro leader to step forth and state which Negro should be appointed to the Supreme Court. (Furnished AG, 4/2/62, [REDACTED] b(2) b7(D) 100-106670-33,32) (S)

On April 10, 1962, a source advised that Martin Luther King had recently informed Levison that he had had a successful trip to Washington, D. C., where he raised \$3,000 and had visited the Attorney General and the Vice President. (S) b(1)

Levison and King also discussed arrangements for a concert to be held in Atlanta in June, 1962, to raise funds and according to the source, Harry Belafonte would be one of the performers at the concert. (Furnished AG, 4/13/62, [REDACTED] b(2) b7(D) (S)

A source advised on April 11, 1962, that Stanley Levison had recently told Hunter Pitts O'Dell that he was writing a speech for Martin Luther King, Jr. According to Levison, King was to deliver the speech at the convention of the United Packing House Workers of America, American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations, in May, 1962, and the effectiveness of the speech might determine the amount of money the union would give King. (Furnished AG, 4/13/62, [REDACTED] 100-106670-39) (S)

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On August 3, 1962, a source advised that Clarence Jones told Levison that when Martin Luther King was considering violating the Federal injunction (apparently at Albany, Georgia), King informed "Kennedy" of this decision. He said "Bobby" Kennedy was absolutely shocked. Jones stated that the Attorney General attempted to talk King out of violating the injunction and that King "began telling him off in real tough terms." Levison told Jones that on August 2, 1962, he had received a copy of a letter from King from jail in which King called on "Kennedy" to arrest the City Council in Albany, Georgia, under a Federal Statute for depriving Negroes of their civil rights. (Furnished AG 8/8/62, [REDACTED] 100-106670-87,88) b(1)

A source advised on September 10, 1962, that Clarence Jones and Levison were discussing the burning of churches in the South. Both expressed the opinion that Martin Luther King, Jr., should not be silenced in this matter but should send a hot wire to "Kennedy" expressing his indignance at the Government's failure to control one small community. Levison and Jones agreed that the telegram should say something to the effect that the world-wide obligations of the United States are so great that it cannot take care of a small community. (Furnished AG 9/11/62, [REDACTED] 100-106670-91,92) b(1)

A source advised that on December 4, 1962, Stanley Levison had a discussion with William Kunstler, a New York attorney, concerning ticket sales for an affair to be held at the Westchester County Center in White Plains, New York, on December 11, 1962. This affair was to have sponsored entertainers Sammy Davis, Jr., and Peter Lawford and was to benefit the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Levison remarked to Kunstler that he should make suggestions to King for King's speech to be made at the affair. b(1)

Kunstler then told Levison he hoped to have King duplicate the walk made by William Seward on January 1, 1863, from Lafayette Square to the White House with the Emancipation Proclamation. Kunstler planned for King to make the same walk on January 1, 1963, at which time he was to have been presented with a check for \$25,000 at the White House to be used for the Ghandi Society for Human Rights. The check, according to Kunstler, would symbolize that now the Negro has become full grown. (Furnished AG & White House 12/7/62, [REDACTED] 100-106670) b(1)

There is no indication this walk by King ever actually took place. b(2)  
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A source advised that Clarence Jones and Stanley Levison had a discussion in New York City on December 19, 1962. **1**

Jones mentioned that he had recently talked with Martin Luther King, Jr., and King advised him that he had recently been to see President Kennedy and was most impressed with the President's knowledge of King's writings, as well as the President's awareness of events in the civil rights field. **3**

Jones stated it was obvious to King that President Kennedy had been well briefed prior to the meeting and he had apparently done considerable reading along this line. Jones told Levison that King had made the statement that the President is so well informed that he cites "your own material to you." Levison asked Jones what specific points the President had cited to King. Jones was unable to answer this question and Levison told Jones that it would be worthwhile for him to call King to find out what specific points the President had made in his conversation with King because these points could be used as a guideline for King to determine the Administration's thinking with respect to the civil rights problem. (Furnished AG & White House 12/27/62, **5**  
[redacted] 100-106670-106) **b(2) b7(D)**

On January 4, 1963, a source advised that Clarence Jones was in contact with Levison to inform Levison that King had requested that he and Levison meet King in Dorchester, Georgia, on January 10 or 11, 1963, because "they're going to be having a closeted review of where they are—a critical review." They made arrangements to leave New York on January 9, 1963, to effect this meeting. **✓**

This same source advised on January 6, 1963, that Jones again contacted Levison to advise that Hunter Pitts O'Dell was returning from Atlanta to New York City. Levison voiced the opinion that O'Dell should be in on the planned discussions. (Furnished AG 1/10/63, [redacted] 100-106670-107, 109) **3**  
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It should be noted that Levison met King, Jones, O'Dell and others at the Savannah Airport, Savannah, Georgia, on January 10, 1963.

Stanley Levison on January 28, 1963, was in contact with one Bill, believed to be William Kunstler. Kunstler and Levison discussed the affair which had been held in **3**

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Westchester County, New York, as a fund raising campaign for Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. They also discussed a rally which was to have been held in Madison Square Garden in the Spring of 1963 for the same purpose. This rally, however, was canceled by Levison. ②

Kunstler mentioned he spoke to James Meredith (the Negro attending the University of Mississippi) on January 27, 1963, concerning his staying on at the University of Mississippi. Kunstler suggested that Reverend Mr. King call Meredith concerning staying on at the University of Mississippi. (Furnished AG 1/30/63, [REDACTED] 100-106670-113) b(2) b7(D)

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and Stanley Levison had a lengthy conversation on March 6, 1963, discussing an article that King was preparing for "The Nation." The article dealt with the 1962 program of the Administration on civil rights and King felt the article needed changing in view of the President's civil rights message. ②

Levison told King to bear in mind that what "The Nation" was presenting each year were King's observations about the preceding year so that it would be proper to confine the article to observations about 1962. Levison pointed out that it may be too stale to be discussing only 1962 that late in 1963 and that Reverend Mr. King ought to mention something about the President's civil rights message. ②

Reverend Mr. King referred to the "schizophrenic tendency of the Administration, on one hand it appoints a Thurgood Marshall as a Federal Judge and then appoints judges in the South who are outright segregationists." ②

King concluded by stating that his contention is that if he (President Kennedy) would get out and really fight and crusade for the civil rights program, it would have a stronger chance of getting it through. Levison agreed with King on this observation. (Furnished AG & White House, 3/13/63, [REDACTED] 157-286-5 & 100-106670-118) ② b(2) b7(D)

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A source advised on May 26, 1963, that Clarence Jones had a discussion with Stanley Levison concerning a conference which Jones said he attended on May 24, 1963. Jones informed Levison that he had attended a conference on May 24, 1963, at which Attorney General Kennedy was present. Jones said that the Attorney General was under the sharpest attack that he had seen anyone undergo and that there was nothing that the Attorney General could say. Each time he said something, it merely underlined the deep gulf. Levison commented that the Attorney General really needed it. ②

Jones agreed with Levison and said that the Attorney General had come there thinking that he knew everything and had not been prepared to change his mind. According to Jones, the Attorney General took the simple approach, stating that the current Administration had done more than anyone else in the area of civil rights. Levison replied, "so he thinks he can get away with that, well he doesn't know what year this is. He doesn't know what Birmingham means." Levison then suggested that in view of the fact that Martin Luther King is going to see the President soon, he should get advice on how to present this matter to the President. It was Jones' opinion that this would not make much difference because the Attorney General is running the civil rights movement. ③

Jones told Levison that after the meeting, Jones learned that the Attorney General was very critical of Jones because he had been in Birmingham with King and knew what had been done and should have defended the Attorney General at the conference. Jones continued that the Attorney General did not think that any purpose would be served by President Kennedy leading a Negro into the University of Alabama, and that this provoked some bitter comments from the people attending the conference, including one person who told the Attorney General that the only reason he was in this room was because he was concerned with the 1964 elections. This same individual, according to Jones, described the Attorney General as, "the worst illustration of white arrogant liberalism." Levison said that this was a good description of the Attorney General.

(Furnished AG 5/29/63, [REDACTED] New York teletype 5/28/63.) ④

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A source advised on May 28, 1963, Levison had a conversation with an unknown male, possibly Clarence Jones. 2

Levison told the unknown male that at the meeting Friday they would have to sit down and really discuss the Attorney General's concern. The unknown male told Levison that the Attorney General was really turned on his heels. Levison then commented that the Attorney General has been able to lick every competitor he has come up against and has made this the passion of his life, but has run into the first force that he can't knock over. The unknown male indicated that a list was handed to the Attorney General of all the judges "Kennedy," probably referring to President Kennedy, appointed and the dates of appointment. 2

The unknown male indicated that the day after the conference held in New York, the FBI came around to all the people who were there. The unknown male indicated that he expected such action, and Levison commented that the FBI "bit" was really shocking. 2

It should be noted that with regard to the comment that the FBI came around to all the people who were at the conference with you on May 24, 1963, that this Bureau was not aware of the conference until articles appeared in newspapers and at no time did any Agents from this Bureau make any contact with individuals who were at the meeting. 2  
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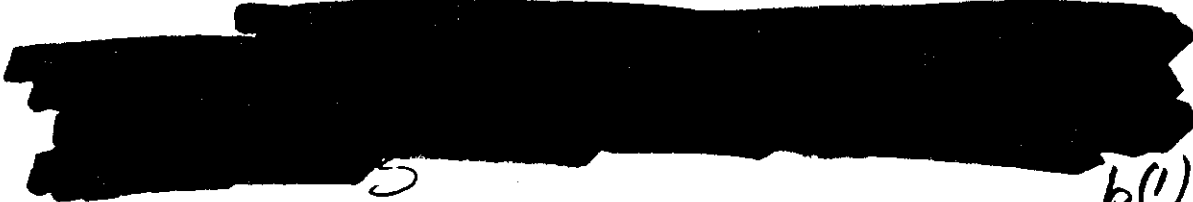
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**The Attorney General**

Levison stated that the method of negotiation used in Birmingham, Alabama, will set the pattern for a series of Southern cities. He explained this method by stating that you come in with a package, come up with demands, discuss them and come out with a victory, and that in doing so you ask for more than you expect to get. He described the goals of the movement as desegregation, jobs and the right to vote. He described the methods of obtaining these goals as being direct action, nonviolence and negotiation. **EB**

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The above information is being furnished to the Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell, Special Assistant to the President.

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walker Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE:

This memorandum is being classified "Confidential" because it contains information from a source, the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the Communist Party, USA, and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of the country.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586) (P)

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM - C  
(OO: Atlanta)

ReBu R/S, 5/21/63; and Atlanta report of SA [REDACTED] 5/3/63. b7(c)

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 4 copies each of amended pages - Cover Page B and page 8 - of rerep; also enclosed for Bureau is 1 copy each of characterizations of Freedomways Associates, Inc. and Southern Conference Educational Funds, Inc.

Enclosed herewith for New York are 2 copies each of above amended pages - Cover Page B and page 8 - of rerep.

Atlanta has made necessary corrections in their copies.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-4859) (C)

UNSUBS; Alleged Offer by JAMES R. HOFFA and  
HARRY BRIDGES to Assist MARTIN LUTHER KING  
in Alabama Disturbances.MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(OO: SF)Re WFO airtel to Bureau, 5/21/63 and SF airtels to Bureau,  
5/24/63 and 5/27/63.[REDACTED] was  
interviewed concerning the facts of this matter by SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]Attached are four copies of a letterhead memorandum setting  
out the results of interview of [REDACTED] by SA  
[REDACTED] and the interview of [REDACTED]In view of the fact that requested investigation has been  
conducted by the SF Office, this matter is considered closed.③ Bureau (Encs. - 4)  
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ALABAMA DISTURBANCES  
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Re WFO airtel to Bureau 5/21/63 and SF airtel to Bureau,  
5/24/63.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
SAC BIRMINGHAM

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS

REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

*J/L*  
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For the information of the Bureau and Birmingham Division, [REDACTED] advised that Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING was scheduled to speak at the Washington Tabernacle Baptist Church, 3200 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, at 8:00 P.M., 5-28-63, under the sponsorship of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Greater St. Louis. [REDACTED] advised that the meeting would be open to the general public.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Birmingham
- 1 - St. Louis (100-17801)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-357044)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-31584) ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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SUBJECT: "NATIONAL GUARDIAN"; DATE 11-5-00 BY SP4 JDM/ML  
WEEKLY GUARDIAN ASSOCIATES, INC. 6076  
IS-C; ISA OF 1950

Attached herewith for information of the Bureau and interested Offices are photostats of the following items furnished this Office by mail on 5/23/63 by [REDACTED] b7(c)  
[REDACTED] Whittier, California, a local citizen, who has on occasion in the past forwarded miscellaneous items to this Office:

- (1) A typewritten letter dated May, 1963, on the letterhead of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., 332 Auburn Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga.
- (2) An envelope postmarked New York, N. Y. (undated) in which the above letter was received by [REDACTED] b7(c) bearing the above indicated KING return address and the addressographed addressee as:

[REDACTED] b7(c)  
Whittier Cal"

- (3) A copy of a portion of the "NATIONAL GUARDIAN" magazine received by [REDACTED] reflecting the same addressee in detail as shown above. b7(c)

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As noted by [REDACTED] in her own handwriting, the above letter was received by her on 5/21/63. She observed that her stenciled name appeared identical as the name on her "NATIONAL GUARDIAN" subscription.

It would appear from a preliminary perusal of these addresses that they are identical, and that accordingly, the current or recent mailing list used by the "NATIONAL GUARDIAN" is available to MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. and / or his associates or sponsors, it being noted that instant mailing was from New York City, headquarters of the "NATIONAL GUARDIAN," although KING's indicated headquarters are in Atlanta.

No further action is being taken on this matter at this time by this Office.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Atlanta, Ga.



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[Redacted]  
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*He'll be back in  
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( Martin Luther King, Jr. )

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Atlanta, Ga.

Birmingham, Alabama

May, 1963

Dear Sirs:-

I am assuming you were temporarily released from jail to coordinate the strategy of our desegregation program in Birmingham.

In fact, the desegregation army of segregation in the South my colleagues, Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, Rev. Ralph Abernathy and I had been imprisoned along with more than 100 other Negro citizens. Our "crime" is organizing peaceful protest demonstrations against segregation.

Birmingham, an American city of more than a half-million population is the most segregated large city in the Western Hemisphere. Indeed, it is often called the "Bombing City of the South".

Controlled with a history of church-bombings, notorious police brutality, lynchings, mob violence, and other weapons of intimidation, in 1963 we are for the first time endeavoring to gather sufficient grassroots strength to challenge institutionalized segregation in Birmingham. You probably recall the mob violence unleashed upon Martin Luther King and others' day, two years ago.

We at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, have packed in the hundreds of thousands of people for American Democracy. Our S. C. L. C. roots are deep in Alabama, having been born out of the Montgomery bus protest. The Negro community in Birmingham, working the demonstrations through our S. C. L. C. affiliates, the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights, has made it clear that we have a mission, "here and now".

We know you share our hopes and aspirations for an end to injustice. We are determined to continue our citizens' voter-registration efforts, school-bus boycott campaigns, as well as court actions, until segregation is ended as a government-enforced institution in Birmingham, and the state of Alabama. Because Birmingham is the colossus of segregation, its fall will shake every resistance-center in the South.

I trust this plain-spoken appeal will obtain your response. We did not deny our citizens no further resources. We stood on faith. Nothing is left of our own financial resources. We are counting upon you to be part of our effort by coming through with your maximum contribution.

It may never realize you either we have gained a partial victory. Your courage will sustain our movement to carry forward the fight for democratic rights deeper into the South.

Thus, to the embattled Negroes of the South know that they are not alone.

Sincerely,

*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Please make check payable to

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To: SAC, Milwaukee

From: Director, FBI

VISIT OF MARTIN LUTHER KING TO  
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN,  
MAY 26, 1963  
RACIAL MATTERS

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Enclosed is a copy of a letter received from an anonymous writer concerning racial matters. In the letter, the anonymous writer sets forth that Dr. Martin Luther King is to be in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 26, 1963, "to incite Negroes against White Race People." The anonymous writer alleged that Dr. King plans to speak at the Milwaukee Auditorium.

The Milwaukee Office should be alert to the possibility of a visit to Milwaukee by Dr. Martin Luther King. If Dr. King plans such a visit, the appropriate local law enforcement officials should be advised of pertinent information. Any information developed concerning Dr. King's visit along with action taken by local law enforcement agencies should be furnished to the Bureau in form of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination.

The enclosed letter should be reviewed for information of interest to your office.

Enclosure

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[REDACTED]  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

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Dear [REDACTED]

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Your letter of May 13, 1963, has been  
received.

While I would like to be of service to  
you, information contained in the files of the FBI must  
be maintained as confidential in accordance with regula-  
tions of the Department of Justice and is available for  
official use only.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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May 13, 1963

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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DATE 11-15-80 BY SP4JRM/L

Insofar as my questions are not a confidential matter I should like very much to have your advise on the following two questions. These are occasioned by the fact that Dr. Martin Luther King is to appear in our city at a large meeting on May 28.

- (1.) Is Dr. King a devout Christian gentleman motivated entirely by a sincere interest and a love for his people?
- (2.) Or are Dr. King's actions communist inspired? I can think of few things we might do that would be of greater comfort to the communist cause in all the "dark colored nations", than the way our racial problems are making the headlines.

I ask these questions, Mr. Hoover, because I am a Presbyterian elder ( as I believe you are ) and have for many years taught a young married peoples Sunday school class. This subject was discussed during a part of our lesson yesterday, and I felt completely inadequate to answer the above questions, even to my own satisfaction.

Thanking you in advance for any help you may give me  
I remain

Very truly yours,

b7(c)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 5/22/63

FROM : A. Rosen

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ON 11-5-80  
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Request for Security Checks

\_\_\_\_\_ understands that the Bureau cannot render any assistance in this matter. b7(c)

In addition to the above, it should be noted that he had no basis for suspecting that anyone had any listening device in the various offices but he felt they ought to be checked in order to assure security.

\_\_\_\_\_ also said that although he was opposed to the policy of the present Attorney General, he was wholeheartedly in support of the FBI and the leadership of the Director. He said he hoped that if in the near future his organization came out with any information which would indicate that

1 Mr. Conrad  
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Memo to Mr. Belmont from A. Rosen

Rev. Martin Luther King was receiving funds from the Soviets that this would not be embarrassing to the Bureau. He did not further amplify this comment nor was I able to obtain any information concerning what he might have in mind. (It is noted that in our coverage we do know that King has been in touch with Stanley Levison, reportedly a secret member of the Communist Party, USA.)

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

None - this is for your information.

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Date: 5/21/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-4)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-867)  
SUBJECT: SIT TMS, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA  
RACIAL MATTERS

Remyairtel and letterhead memorandum 5/14/63.

Enclosed herewith are seven copies of a  
letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between  
MARTIN LUTHER KING and STANLEY LEVISON that took place  
at 1:35 a.m. this date.

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In accordance with instructions set forth in  
Buairtel 3/26/63, entitled, "STANLEY LEVISON; IS-C," no  
mention is being made of LEVISON's "disenchantment" with  
the CP in the characterization of LEVISON in the attached  
letterhead memorandum.

This letterhead memorandum has been classified  
confidential because it contains information from sources,  
the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair  
the investigation of the CPUSA and such impairment could  
have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests  
of the country.

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2-Atlanta (Info) (Encl. 2) (RM)  
(1-100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
2-Birmingham (Encl. 2) (RM)  
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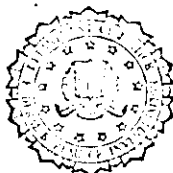
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. Bureau 157-6-4

New York, New York  
May 21, 1963

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Re: Sit Ins  
Birmingham, Alabama  
Racial Matters

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
ADVISED BY SLIP  
DATE 5-31-81

A confidential source that has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 21, 1963, that on that date, Martin Luther King had a lengthy discussion with Stanley Levison.

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Levison inquired of King as to the feeling of the Birmingham community to the expulsion of Negro students by the Birmingham Board of Education. King replied that he thought "we" could hold them together. He does not, in his opinion, want to follow an unwise act on the part of the Board of Education, with an unwise act on "our" part. King believes that (Eugene) "Bull" Connor, City Commissioner of Public Safety, is

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Re: Sit Ins  
Birmingham, Alabama  
Racial Matters

doing this to provoke the Negro community to the point that they will do something to so confuse the situation that it will upset the agreement now in effect. Levison suggested that King issue a statement that he will not be trapped by these tactics. King stated that he had made it very clear that this was a temporary move and that it would be unwise to move without looking at the total situation.

Levison told King that he had a discussion with Clarence Jones, Chief Counsel, Ghandi Society of Human Rights, concerning setting up temporary educational facilities for the expelled students and going to the public and to prominent individuals, to ask for contributions for this purpose. King thought this was a good idea, but he hoped it would not be necessary as he felt that "we are going to get them back in school."

Levison then suggested that King write a book concerning his experiences in Birmingham. Levison indicated that King had previously discussed writing a paperback book in collaboration with New York Attorney William Kunstler, but Levison feels that Kunstler is attempting to make a joint venture out of the book and this is not fair to King as King should be the only recipient of royalties from the book.

Levison informed King that Negro writer Ossie Davis had told Levison that he would be glad to assist King in a few weeks when he finishes a movie script he is working on. Levison stated Davis would only want a fee for his work, and that the book published simultaneously in clothbound and paperback editions would sell 150,000 to 200,000 copies. Levison stated it would be "a sure fire book." King indicated his approval to Levison's suggestions regarding the book.

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Re: Sit Ins  
Birmingham, Alabama  
Racial Matters

Levison informed King that Clarence Jones had been in contact with labor arbitrator Theodore Kheel, who told Jones that labor leader Mike Quill has \$15,000 that he wants to turn over to the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, but Quill wants the \$15,000 to go to King personally and not for the use of the Chandi Society. Kheel and Quill want to arrange a luncheon at which Quill would make his presentation, and at the same time, get the American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organisation (AFL-CIO) officially to launch a drive for one million dollars for "Voter Registrations." Levison stated that it would be a small luncheon. They discussed possible dates and agreed on May 29th. Levison will check out this date with Kheel and let King know.

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FROM: SAC, WFO (62-New)(Ruc)

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; Alleged Offer  
by JAMES R. HOFFA and HARRY BRIDGES  
to Assist MARTIN LUTHER KING in Alabama  
Disturbance  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
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Enclosed to the Bureau are four copies of a LHM  
and two to San Francisco setting forth the results of  
interview with [REDACTED]

For information of San Francisco [REDACTED]  
verbally advised the Department of Justice of information  
he received indicating HOFFA and BRIDGES had made an offer  
to assist MARTIN LUTHER KING in the Alabama disturbance.

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The Bureau desired that full details be obtained  
from [REDACTED] and appropriate leads set out to interview the  
sources or sources from which [REDACTED] received his information.

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SUBJECT: **SITING, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA**  
**RACIAL MATTERS** **OTHERWISE.**

Remytel, 5/10/63.

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[REDACTED] advised on the evening of 5/10/63,  
that STANLEY LEVISON was notified that the delegation  
from the American Jewish Conference had cancelled their  
planned trip to Birmingham on 5/12/63, in view of the  
peace that had been announced in that city on 5/10/63.

Enclosed herewith are seven copies of a letterhead  
memorandum regarding the activity of STANLEY LEVISON with  
respect to the above captioned matter.

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[REDACTED]  
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(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
(1-100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON)  
2-Atlanta (Info) (Encl. 2) (RM)  
(1-100-55886) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
2-Birmingham (Encl. 2) (RM)  
1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (414)  
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New York, New York

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A confidential source that has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 13, 1963, that Clarence Jones, Counsel, Ghandi Society for Human Rights, held a discussion with Stanley Levison.

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According to the first source, Jones told Levison that Jones had a very positive conversation with labor leader Harry Van Arsdale last week and Jones thinks the Central Labor Council is planning a rally on May 16th. Jones said that he also had heard that another organization was planning a large meeting and demonstration around the White House on May 16th. Jones said that it occurred to him that maybe a coordination between the existing plans for mass expression

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in New York and Washington could be quite effective. He reminded Levison that May 16th is the date that Martin Luther King and his associates start their jail sentences.

A third source, who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on May 13, 1963, Levison, in conversation with an unknown female, stated that there is no leadership for the SCLC (Southern Christian Leadership Conference) in New York, that what they have in New York is a workshop for fund raising. According to Levison, this (Birmingham situation) is the one action that they (SCLC) planned in advance. Levison stated that they planned it in January in Dorchester, Georgia, but they forgot one thing - money. Levison averred that everything was planned, down to the exact tactics for each day, but they forgot money. Levison mentioned that a recent ad in the "New York Times" by the SCLC soliciting funds, was bringing in about \$1,000.00 per day. He concluded by stating that the "New York Times" did not want to take the ad as they already have a million and half dollar judgment against them due to "our" ads.

Martin Luther King is the President of the SCLC.

According to the first source, Levison travelled to Dorchester, Georgia, in January, 1963, to confer with Martin Luther King and other officials of the SCLC.

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Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, CRD

Date Forw. MAY 6 1963SUBJECT: REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
SPEECH SCHEDULED FOR  
APRIL 26, 1963, AT CAMDEN,  
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Chicago 1 information copy of a letterhead memorandum pertain-  
ing to the above captioned matter.

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REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
SPEECH SCHEDULED FOR  
APRIL 26, 1963, AT CAMDEN,  
NEW JERSEY  
RACIAL MATTERS

An article captioned "South Race Struggles Seen Communism Aid" which appeared in the April 27, 1963, issue of the "Courier Post", a Camden, New Jersey, daily newspaper, reflects the following:

During the evening of April 26, 1963, more than 1,000 persons attended a freedom rally for the benefit of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference at Convention Hall, in Camden, New Jersey. Among the principal speakers present were Dr. A. D. King, who substituted for his brother, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., Jackie Robinson, former Dodger baseball star, and Camden, New Jersey, Mayor Pierce.

This article reflected no explanation of Reverend King's absence.

According to this article, Dr. King's speech theme was to the effect that the racial struggle in the South endangers this nation in its struggle with communism. In this connection, he is quoted as saying that "Black supremacy would be as dangerous as white supremacy."

Jackie Robinson expressed criticism of President Kennedy's insincerity in connection with civil rights matters.

Mayor Pierce, in general, praised the work done in the South by Reverend Martin Luther King. He also stated that it was very refreshing to see representatives from the three major faiths attending a rally such as the freedom rally.



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Bureau letter dated February 27, 1962, gave instructions for the New York and Atlanta Offices to handle the reporting in this manner. A review of the Atlanta files of the material obtained since the first Atlanta and New York reports indicates that New York has designated copies of all pertinent information to their own file on the subject.

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DETAILS:

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

A Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) folder titled, "Crusade for the Ballot," which was available to the public in July, 1962, carried the subject as President of the SCLC, with offices at 330 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

As of July 20, 1962, the subject was listed on a sign in front of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, 407 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., as co-pastor with his father, MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR.

b(1) [REDACTED] stated that subject's home address continues to be 505 Johnson Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

On May 14, 1962, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL was observed by an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to be employed in the Headquarters Office of the SCLC, which at that time was located at 41 Exchange Place, Atlanta, Georgia.

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[REDACTED] (c) b(1)

b(1) [REDACTED] furnished an SCLC newsletter, which was dated February, 1962. This newsletter described O'DELL as a voter registration expert of the New York Office of SCLC.

The newsletter described the activities of O'DELL at an SCLC Citizenship Training Session at the Dorchester, Georgia, Community Center, during the period January 15-20, 1962.

The above-mentioned SCLC folder titled, "Crusade for the Ballot," lists O'DELL as the Regional Consultant of the Voter Registration Field Staff.

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The news article from the daily New Orleans morning newspaper, The Times Picayune, of November 2, 1962, was titled, "O'Dell Resigns Place in SCLC." This article stated that JACK H. O'DELL, sometimes known as RUSSELL PITTS O'DELL, had resigned his position with SCLC, which is headed by Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. The article related that the resignation followed publication by the Times Picayune on October 26, 1962, of O'DELL's connection with SCLC and of O'DELL's record of invoking the Fifth Amendment when asked if he was Southern District Organizer for the Communist Party. The news article stated that the subject denied he knew of any of O'DELL's activities for the Communist Party and denied that O'DELL held any major position in the organization. Subject made a statement wherein he said that SCLC is so firmly established as a Christian non-violent movement that it would be impossible to be influenced in any way by the method and philosophy of Communism, which breeds violent revolution. KING also said, according to the article, that no person of known Communist affiliation could serve on the Staff Executive Board or its membership at large.

KING further stated, according to this article, that O'DELL advised that he rejected the implications of the charges made against him, but in order to avoid embarrassment to SCLC he had tendered his resignation. The subject claimed in this statement that he had accepted it pending further inquiry and clarification.

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b7(C) [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that she had been reading in the newspapers that O'DELL was a Communist and the fact that the subject had released O'DELL when he found him to be connected with the Communist Party. [REDACTED] stated, however, that O'DELL had registered into the [REDACTED] at 12 10 p.m. on December 27, 1962, and represented himself to be with SCLC, New York Office.

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b7(C) [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] records show that O'DELL registered into Room 219 on January 10, 1963, and represented himself again to be a representative of the SCLC, New York Office. She said the records further disclosed that on January 12, 1963, he again registered at the [REDACTED] and again represented himself as being with the New York office of SCLC. She said that O'DELL registered under the name of J. H. O'DELL with the New York City address of 612 West 105th Street.



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b7(c) [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that records show O'DELL checked in on December 27, 1962, and checked out on January 7, 1963. [redacted] b7(p) [redacted] stated that on this occasion O'DELL requested that his bill be charged to SCLC, but because of the publicity that O'DELL had been fired from this organization for his Communist affiliations, [redacted] requested that he get confirmation from the SCLC Office before she would charge the bill to them. [redacted] said that O'DELL contacted EDWINA SMITH, telephonically, and that EDWINA SMITH identified herself as a Secretary at SCLC. She then confirmed to [redacted] that the bill would be paid by SCLC. (It is to be noted that the name of WYATT TEE WALKER's secretary is EDWINA SMITH. WALKER is Executive Director of SCLC).

[redacted] b(1) [redacted] advised he learned that O'DELL continues to be involved with SCLC in New York City in a fund-raising capacity although he is supposedly not being carried on the SCLC payroll.

[redacted] b(1) [redacted] identified HOSEA HERMAN HUDSON as a member of the Communist Party from New York. b(1)

[redacted] b(1) [redacted] that SARGEANT CAULFIELD is the leader of the Communist Party in the Baton Rouge - Lettsworth, Louisiana, area.

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AT 100-5586

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b(1) [REDACTED] CAULFIELD met KING while in Atlanta and discussed with him the voter registration matters in Louisiana.

b(1) [REDACTED] that HUDSON believes MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., has a good program in his big right to vote movement and further that HUDSON and O'DELL were giving KING all the help they could.

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[REDACTED] b(1) C [REDACTED] that on April 26, 1962, GUS HALL spoke to Philadelphia Communist Party Youth and some non-Party Youth on "The New Epoch," in Room 208M, Central YMCA, 15th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. HALL said at this meeting that he was responsible for the letters which the subject wrote to the two Presidential candidates in 1960.

He cited this as an example of how the Communist Party can influence political life.

b(1) C [REDACTED] that GUS HALL is General Secretary for the Communist Party - USA.

b(1) C [REDACTED] stated that anti-Communist laborers were concerned about the position of the subject at the SCLC. [REDACTED] said that they were undecided whether the subject was being exploited by pro-Communists or was knowingly supporting some pro-Communist movements.

b(1) C [REDACTED] cited support of the petition for CARL BRADEN as one of their concerns. He also said that SCLC's Executive Director, MARTIN LUTHER KING, maintained a cooperating attitude with Communist-front movements.

It is to be noted that KING's support for BRADEN's petition was previously recorded.

Mrs. ALBERTA ANDERSON, 2311 Payne Street, Louisville, Kentucky, a self-admitted former member of the CP, in Louisville, in testifying on December 11 and 13, 1964, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, Criminal Court, in a state sedition prosecution against CARL BRADEN, identified CARL BRADEN and his wife, ANNE BRADEN, as having been known to her as members of the CP, Louisville, from January 1961 to shortly prior to the time of her testimony.

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The Courier-Journal, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on February 3, 1959, reported that CARL BRADEN had been sentenced to one year in prison on a charge of contempt of Congress on February 2, 1959, in Atlanta, Georgia. The story noted that he had been convicted under this charge on January 21, 1959, and that the charge arose from his refusal to answer questions before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA).

The Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on February 27, 1961, reported that the United States Supreme Court had, on that date, affirmed the contempt of Congress conviction of BRADEN.

The Courier-Journal, on May 2, 1961, reported that CARL BRADEN had surrendered to the United States Marshal at Atlanta, Georgia, on May 1, 1961, to begin serving a one-year prison sentence for contempt of Congress.

The Courier-Journal, Louisville, Kentucky, on February 2, 1962, reported that CARL BRADEN had been released from the Federal Prison Camp at Allenwood, Pennsylvania, on February 1, 1962. BRADEN indicated that he would return to his home, Louisville, Kentucky.

The December, 1961, issue of the Southern Patriot which, according to its masthead, is published by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF), identifies CARL BRADEN and his wife, ANNE BRADEN, as field secretaries and editors. The address of the editorial offices of this publication is given as 4403 Virginia Avenue, Louisville 11, Kentucky, which is the home address of the BRADENS.

A characterization of SCEF is included in the appendix of this report.

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b(1) c [REDACTED] advised that Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., 407 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, is on the subscription list of the magazine "Freedomways", which is published by Freedomways Associates.

A characterization of Freedomways Associates is included in the appendix to this report.

b(1) c [REDACTED] that MAURICE DAWKINS, Chairman of the Board of the Western Christian Leadership Conference, delivered a speech for the subject at the 27th International Convention of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America on August 28, 1962.

b(1) c [REDACTED] Reverend DAWKINS greeted the convention in the name of Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING and continued his speech on the atrocities that were going on in Albany, Georgia. He stated that Albany's ghettos were a disgrace to any human being and that the Negroes realize that they have to unite as Negroes and unionists to get away from segregation.

On September 5, 1962, the Los Angeles Office of the FBI received a copy of a letter from Reverend DAWKINS, dated September 1st, and addressed to Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. This letter advised KING that DAWKINS was alarmed and somewhat distressed to find that apparently KING had been used or misused by a group that is branded or expelled from the AFL-CIO Union Federation as a Communist-dominated group. DAWKINS said he was equally concerned that he, DAWKINS was involved as KING's representative and that both of them appeared in featured material in the Communist newspaper, "The Peoples World." DAWKINS indicated in this letter that he had been advised by reliable sources that sufficient proof had been demonstrated to result in their, United Electrical Workers, being expelled from the Union on the basis of "Communist control." DAWKINS concluded by strongly recommending to KING that any invitations to him to speak before labor groups should be cleared with some labor source that KING can trust explicitly.

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b(1) C [REDACTED] advised that MARCUS GOLDMAN had commented that while he is not an active Communist, he still adheres to the ideals of the Communist Party.

b(1) C [REDACTED] advised that MARCUS GOLDMAN was supporting the Communist Party financially.

b(1) C [REDACTED] that on November 26, 1962, VAUGHN BENNETT, Chairman of the Communist Party of Indiana, received in the mail a letter from MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., 322 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, making an appeal for funds for SCLC.

b(1) C [REDACTED] stated that the SCLC leadership, including the subject and WALTER WALKER, are very valuable to the SCDF and CARL and ANN BRADEN. [REDACTED] said the Civil Rights organizations do not want to work with SCDF because of the question of Communist infiltration. [REDACTED] said that the subject raised money for SCDF by giving talks in New York City at meetings sponsored by SCDF where donations were made. He said the subject's presence at these meetings greatly increased the amount of money collected.

b(1) C [REDACTED] said other Civil Rights organizations are becoming quite concerned about SCLC and one of the reasons is because they keep HUNTER PITTS O'DELL in their New York City Office as a fund raiser even after the recent publicity about O'DELL's Communist affiliations.

b(2) b(7)(D) [REDACTED] stated on January 4, 1963, that the subject wanted STANLEY LEVISON, a New York attorney, to meet with him and others January 10-11, 1963, at Dorchester, Georgia. (vicinity of Savannah, Georgia) because they are going to be having a "closed review" of where they are - a critical review."

b(2) b(7)(D) [REDACTED] said that LEVISON recommended that O'DELL should be in on the Dorchester meeting [REDACTED]

b(1) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] b7(b)  
[REDACTED] advised SPC [REDACTED] tele- b7(c)  
phonically that a group of ten individual were leaving Atlanta  
at 7:10 a.m., on January 10, 1963, on Delta Airlines Flight #427  
enroute to Savannah, Georgia.

Among the names furnished [REDACTED] was M. KING, b7(D)  
J. O'DELL, W. WALKER, R. D. ABERNATHY, and F. SHUTTLESWORTH.

It is noted that these are all names of individuals  
who are officials of the SCLC.

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FREEDOMWAYS ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED

The records of the Secretary of State, New York State Department of State, Albany, New York, show that the certificate of incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

The Spring, 1962, issue of "Freedomways" is self-described as "a Quarterly Review of the Negro Freedom Movement" published by Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, 799 Broadway, New York City.

On May 24, 1961, a source advised that a report was given on "Freedomways" at a meeting of the National Board, Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), held on May 24, 1961. It was stated that the original plan called for the publication to be openly Marxist, but that it was later decided it would not be avowedly a Marxist publication. Editorials are in the hands of a mixed group of Marxists and non-Marxists. It was stated that the central purpose of "Freedomways" is to develop a theory and positive criticism of currents in the Negro movement, as well as to raise the level of understanding and discussion taking place in Negro life today and to project a socialist and pro-Soviet orientation.

On May 25, 1961, another source advised that "Freedomways" was set up for the CPUSA by James Jackson, a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA.



AT 100-5586

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.

The Southern Patriot, a monthly publication, shows that it is published by the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (SCEF).

The Southern Patriot was cited as an "organ" of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, on the SCHW, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 16, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals. The amendment was dated April 26, 1946.

A source, who is familiar with some phases of Communist Party activity in the New Orleans area, advised on May 18, 1960, that during the time the SCHW was in existence, Communist Party (CP) members were members of and worked actively in the SCHW. However, since the formation of the SCEF, rank and file CP members have not been encouraged to work in the SCEF. The source stated that the SCEF is a progressive, liberal organization, which he considers a CP front organization because it has gone along with the Communist Party on certain issues, particularly on the racial question, and through the years, certain CP members in the New Orleans area have been assigned to work in the organization to further CP principles.

On May 18, 1960, the source advised that in the past he has considered JAMES DOMBROWSKI, the Executive Director of the SCEF, to be a Communist, if not an actual Communist Party member, because he followed communist principles.

The Source also advised on May 18, 1960, that many people who are officials and members of the SCEF, while liberal in their views, are by no means communists.

The CP-USA has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.



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Atlanta, Georgia  
May 3, 1963

Title: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Character: SECURITY MATTER - C b 7(c)

Reference: Report of SA [REDACTED]  
dated May 3, 1963, At Atlanta,  
Georgia.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Date of birth	Place of birth	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Business Address (show name of employing concern and address) <b>7 Ebenezer Baptist Church, Co-Pastor, 407 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., and President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.</b>			
Key Facility Data			
Geographical Reference Number		Responsibility	
Interested Agencies			
Residence Address <b>563 Johnson Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia</b>			

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FROM: SAC, NEWARK (157-New)

SUBJECT: REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
SPEECH SCHEDULED FOR  
APRIL 26, 1963, AT CAMDEN, N. J. By *R. H. [unclear]*  
RACIAL MATTERS  
OO: NEWARK

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Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies and for Chicago one information copy of a letterhead memorandum pertaining to the above-captioned matter.

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The enclosed memorandum has been classified confidential because the information reflected could reasonably result in the identification of the confidential informant of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof.

The Bureau will be kept advised of any pertinent developments prior to or as a result of Rev. KING's appearance in Camden, N. J. *✓*

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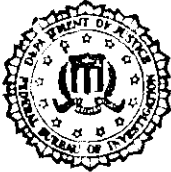
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April 25, 1963

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REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
SPEECH SCHEDULED FOR  
APRIL 26, 1963, AT CAMDEN, NEW  
JERSEY  
RACIAL MATTERS

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[REDACTED] advised that at a meeting of the Nation of Islam (NOI) held at Muhammad's Mosque (MM) #20 at Camden, New Jersey, on April 21, 1963, Minister George Paden advised members of the Fruit of Islam (FOI) who were present that Reverend Martin Luther King, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was scheduled to speak at Convention Hall in Camden, New Jersey, on April 26, 1963, in connection with a city-wide Freedom Rally. Paden stated to the FOI members that "We want a good representation at this affair. We want you to be selling papers ("Muhammad Speaks", an NOI newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois) outside Convention Hall."

Characterizations of the NOI, the MM #20 and the FOI are set forth in the appendix hereto.

The above reflected information was furnished to Camden, New Jersey, [REDACTED] Police [REDACTED] and to [REDACTED] South INTC, Camden, New Jersey, on April 24, 1963. b7(C)

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**NATION OF ISLAM**

Formerly Referred to as the  
Muslim Cult of Islam, Also Known  
as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam".

On May 2, 1962, a second source advised: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the NATION OF ISLAM (NOI). Muhammad's Temple of Islam Number 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois is the national headquarters of the NOI. In mid-1960, MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam".

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teaching and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils", in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon".

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

On May 5, 1958, the first source advised MUHAMMAD had, upon advice of legal counsel, tempered his personal statements and instructions to his ministers concerning the principles of his organization in order to avoid possible prosecution by the United States Government; however, he did not indicate any fundamental changes in the teachings of his organization.

On May 2, 1962, a third source advised MUHAMMAD had, early in July 1958, decided to de-emphasize the religious aspects of the teachings of Islam and to stress the economic benefits to be derived by those Negroes who joined the NOI. This policy change, according to MUHAMMAD, would help him acquire additional followers and create more interest in his programs.

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**NATION OF ISLAM**  
Formerly referred to as  
Muslim Cult of Islam, aka  
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Muhammad's Temple of Islam (MTI) #20,  
aka Muhammad's Mosque (MM) #20,  
Camden, New Jersey

On March 14, 1957, a source advised that Muhammad's Temple of Islam (MTI) then held meetings on Sunday and Tuesday evenings at 346 Mechanic Street, Camden, New Jersey.

On March 29, 1957, this source advised that MTI at 346 Mechanic Street, Camden, was then known as MTI #20.

On August 29, 1957, this source advised that MTI #20 had moved to 703 Chestnut Street, Camden.

[REDACTED] advised SAs [REDACTED] b7(D).  
[REDACTED] that MTI #20 moved from 703 Chestnut Street, Camden, to 513 South 13th Street, Camden, in the fall of 1959. [REDACTED] advised b7C  
that MTI #20 moved again in the early spring of 1960 to 1138 South Broadway, Camden.

On December 10, 1962, a second source advised that MTI #20, which is also known as Muhammad's Mosque (MM) #20, was located at 1138 South Broadway, Camden. The source advised that MTI #20 is affiliated with the NOI and is directed and controlled by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, national leader of the NOI.

APPENDIX

FRUIT OF ISLAM

On May 2, 1962, a source advised that the FRUIT OF ISLAM (FOI) is a group within the NATION OF ISLAM (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon". Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

APPENDIX



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 4-23-62

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

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Page A2354. Congressman Gross, (R) Iowa, extended his remarks to include an editorial entitled "Just a Bit Phony" which appeared in the Washington Evening Star. The editorial comments on reports regarding the call between Reverend Martin Luther King and his wife. The editorial stated "What happened, as far as we can find out, is that the President, according to Mrs. King, 'had been in touch with Birmingham.' This is a bit on the vague side. Mrs. King added, however, that the President phoned and told her: 'I've arranged for your husband to telephone you very shortly. You probably know we sent FBI agents in last night to talk with him and he's all right.' - - - To the best of our knowledge, no one in Birmingham was preventing the Rev. Mr. King from calling his wife. In fact, police chief Jamie Moore, who enjoys a local reputation in Birmingham as an honest man, says that the Kings talked to each other on the day before the President-to-the-rescue story appeared, - - - And we wonder what this business is all about. Could it possibly have anything to do with such things as votes, gullible people, or politics?"

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Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Montgomery Ala	Martin Luther King, Jr. #80161	1-26-56	Speeding	
SO Montgomery Ala	M. L. King #7089	2-22-56	Vio Title 14. Sec 54.1940 code of Ala	26-1
SO Montgomery Ala	Martin Luther King Jr. #10281	2-29-60	purgery	
PD Atlanta Ga	Martin Luther King Jr. #198979	10-19-60	Viol Act 497 Ga Law of 1960 misdr refused to leave premises	
St Bd of Corr Atlanta Ga	Martin Luther King Jr. #M-97326/39966	10-26-60	no dr license	12 mos or \$25 prob & 4 mos revoked
PD Birmingham Ala	Martin Luther King #118593 Address: 563 Johnson Ave.	4-12-63	vio Sec 1159 GCC Atlanta Ga.	
<p>ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 11-5-80 BY SP4 JRM/ld 6076</p> <p>100-106670</p> <p>Wb 100- Follett Sub/Control</p>				

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 4-19-63

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Page 6295. Senator Miller, (R) Iowa, placed in the Record an editorial from the Washington Evening Star entitled "Just a Bit Phony." The editorial states "If one is merely a reader of headlines, an Associated Press story from Atlanta could be taken to mean that the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., now jailed in Birmingham, Ala., was able to call his wife, who has just had a baby, only through the gracious intervention of President Kennedy. To the extent that the story conveyed this impression, it was a phony. What happened, as far as we can find out, is that the President, according to Mrs. King, 'had been in touch with Birmingham.' This is a bit on the vague side. Mrs. King added, however, that the President phoned and told her: 'I've arranged for your husband to telephone you very shortly. You probably know we sent FBI agents in last night to talk with him and he's all right.'"

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM

RE REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RACIAL MATTERS.

REBUTEL APRIL SEVENTEENTH LAST.

b7(D)

[REDACTED] ADVISED AS OF  
THREE THIRTY P. M. CST KING WAS STILL IN BIRMINGHAM CITY JAIL.  
SOME ATTORNEYS HAD BEEN VISITING WITH KING UP UNTIL TWO FORTYFIVE  
P. M. CST AND GAVE NO INDICATION THAT THEY WERE MAKING ARRANGEMENTS  
FOR KING TO BE RELEASED. KING CAN BE RELEASED OUTSIDE OF REGULAR  
HOURS ON BOND AND IF SO, HOUSE STATED THIS OFFICE WOULD BE ADVISED.

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TO SAC, BIRMINGHAM  
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; RACIAL MATTERS

INFORMATION RECEIVED BY WFO FROM SOURCE THAT REVEREND  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IS DUE IN WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
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NATIONAL CAPITAL PRESS CLUB. SUTEL BUREAU IF KING RELEASED  
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(1- 100- ) (The Nation)  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York  
March 22, 1963

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Re: Martin Luther King  
Racial Matters

A confidential source that has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 19, 1963, that Stanley Levison was contacted by Hunter Pitts O'Dell on that date. (C)

[REDACTED] (C)

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The first source stated that O'Dell told Levison that Carey Mc Williams of "The Nation" magazine called O'Dell and told O'Dell that he had received Martin Luther King's article which will be published in the March 30th edition of "The Nation". Mc Williams was so impressed by the article that he recommended that all members of Congress be sent copies of the article. Levison told O'Dell to drop King a line informing him of Mc Williams' opinion of the article. (S)

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SAC, Savannah (100-3056)

March 29, 1963

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1 - Mr. Forsyth  
1 - Mr. Kleinkauf  
1 - Mr. Lavin

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Reurlet 2/22/63.

DATE 11-5-81 BY SP4JAM/la

Your attention is directed to Bureau letter dated 2/13/63 captioned as above which instructed you to be alert for opportunities to discreetly obtain pictures of subject in company with Hunter Pitts O'Dell and/or Stanley Levison. This instruction should be followed. However, you should not conduct any investigation of King, the Dorchester Cooperative Center or the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) without prior instructions from the Bureau.

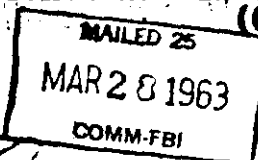
The enclosures which you submitted with referenced letter will be returned to you by separate communication. You are instructed to return these enclosures to [redacted] and avoid any indication the Bureau is investigating King, the SCLC or the Dorchester Cooperative Center. b7(D)

No contacts should be made with [redacted] and no investigation should be conducted regarding the SCLC funds. Of course, these instructions are not to be construed to mean that the Bureau is not interested in any information showing communist infiltration of the SCLC or any other legitimate organization. In the event any such information is disclosed, you should promptly submit this information under the caption of communist infiltration of the SCLC. b7(C)

1 - Atlanta  
1 - New York  
NOTE ON YELLOW:

54 JUL 15 1963 Referenced letter set forth efforts of Savannah to get information regarding SCLC and King's activities. The enclosures mentioned herein were obtained by Savannah (Continued page two)

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Letter to Savannah  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
100-106670

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NOTE CONTINUED:

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[REDACTED] Dorchester  
Cooperative Center, McIntosh, Georgia, where King and  
members of the SCLC hold meetings and training. The  
enclosures mentioned herein are not being returned  
with this communication inasmuch as copies are being  
made for retention in Bureau files. The material furnished  
by Savannah is not relevant to the case. It shows  
activity at the now defunct Highlander Folk School and  
shows the attempts of King and the SCLC to educate Negroes  
in order that they can qualify as voters. It has nothing  
to do with any subversive activity of King or SCLC. It  
does not show any connection between King and Levison or  
Hunter Pitts O'Dell, therefore, these instructions are being  
given to Savannah to prevent possible criticism of Bureau  
for interfering with King's activities in racial matters.

Optional Form No. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670) (100-438794)  
FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5056) (P)  
SUBJECT : MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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DATE: MAR 22 1963

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[REDACTED] made available the following described material which he claimed he had received from [REDACTED] Liberty County, Georgia.

SA [REDACTED] was contacted by [REDACTED] in regards to the material furnished [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] requested that it be returned to him.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are seven (7) photographs, approximately 8 x 10" in size, taken at the Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tennessee in September, 1957. One of these photographs reflects the subject sitting in a room with other people and next to AUBREY WILLIAMS and other identified individuals. Another photograph reflects that the subject is sitting in a vacant hall with an unidentified individual from Nyack, New York. It should be noted that the reverse sides of these photographs are stamped [REDACTED]

- 4 - Bureau (100-106670) (100-438794) (Encls. 20) (RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (100-5586) (100-5718) (RM)
- 2 - New York (100-136586) (100-149137)
- 2 - Savannah (100-5056) (100-5027)

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There is also enclosed a Citizenship Workbook of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), which reflects on page 1 of this book, the subject and the SCLC Vice-President, Dr. C. C. SIMPKINS conferring with Attorney General KENNEDY on voting problems in the South, while on page two at the bottom, is reflected a group picture of a banquet held at the Dunwoody Community Center, Milledgeville, Georgia. A photograph of this center appears on page nine of this book.

The reverse side of the front cover of this workbook reflects the following officials of the SCLC:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
President

WYATT TEE WALKER  
Executive Director

RALPH ABERNATHY  
Treasurer

GAILD MAYNARD  
Director, Public Relations

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#### CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROGRAM

Mrs. SEPTIMA P. CLARK  
Supervisor of  
Teacher Training

Mrs. DOBOTHY F. COTTON  
Educational Consultant

ANDREW J. YOUNG  
Administrator

Mrs. BEMITA PACKER  
Secretary

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YOUR REASSURANCE PROJECT

J. H. O'NEIL, State Consultant

HARRY BLAKE, Louisiana

ROBERT COLEMAN, Virginia

JAMES HEVEL, Mississippi

BERNARD LEE, Student Liaison

J. H. GAINSON, Georgia

FRED BENNETT, Georgia

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There is also enclosed a publication published by the Georgia Commission on Education, 200 Agriculture Building, 19 Hunter Street, S. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia, which contains information pertaining to the Highlander Folk School.

On the inside of this publication is a photograph of subject addressing the assemblage at the Highlander Folk School, as well as a similar photograph of KING sitting next to AUBREY WILLIAMS with a larger view showing ABNER W. BERRY in the foreground immediately ahead of the subject. The publication described ABNER W. BERRY as a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party and a columnist for the Daily Worker.

There is also enclosed a SCLC Newsletter dated December 1962, which reflects on page 3, second column under caption of "SOUTHERN LAWYERS CONFERENCE SET FOR ATLANTA", that Atlanta will be the site of "A WORKSHOP SEMINAR for lawyers on CIVIL RIGHTS and NEGLIGENCE LAW," November 30th and December 1st. The seminar is said, according to the article, to be sponsored by the National Lawyers Guild, and the National Bar Association in cooperation with SCLC.

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There is also enclosed a mimeographed two page memorandum setting forth the First, Fourth and Fifteenth Amendments.

There is also enclosed the following pieces of literature:

1. Citizenship School Report
2. First Night Routine
3. Selection of Teachers for Citizenship Schools (which is set forth later in this communication.)
4. Instructions for Workshop Participants while living at the Dorchester Community Center.
5. Responsibilities of Teachers and Supervisors
6. Class Programming
7. Suggestions For Teaching
8. Copy of an Expense Voucher of the SCLC
9. Citizenship Training Workshop Schedule, which is set forth as follows:

Workshops are held at the Dorchester Cooperative Community Center. To reach the Center from Savannah, Georgia by car take route # 17 to route # 82 at Midway, Georgia. Turn right at # 82, go two miles, and turn left onto the grounds.

Dorchester is two miles from Midway, Georgia, and nine miles from Hinesville, Georgia, on highway # 82.



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Bus tickets may be purchased directly to  
Dorchester Center. (Ask the driver to let you off at the  
Center). Tickets may also be purchased to McIntosh or  
Midway, Georgia. These buses also go directly pass  
the center.

PHONE: You may reach a staff person at  
Dorchester by calling Midway, Georgia: Tulip 4-2165  
(The Director of the Center may be reached at Tulip  
4-2163).

BECOME A TRAINED LEADER! JOIN THE SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN ITS EFFORTS TO LIFT  
OUR PEOPLE!

MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., President      WYATT TEE WALKER,  
Director

DOROTHY F. GORDON      SERIIMA P. CLARK,  
Educational Consultant      Supervisor of  
Teacher Training

ANDREW J. YOUNG  
Administrator

\* \* \* \*

Contents of the mimeographed sheet pertaining  
to the Selection of Teachers for Citizenship Schools, (item #3  
above), are set forth below:

Persons selected as teachers can be ministers,  
business men or women, teachers, beauticians, or college  
students by profession. If persons with the following  
qualifications cannot be found within a community, someone  
with these qualifications should be selected from a near-by  
area who can go in to teach classes.

The Teacher must be:

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1. A man or woman 21 years of age or more who has some high school education, or a college student;
2. A person who is able to read well enough;
3. One who is able to write legibly on the blackboard.

The Teacher must know or be able to find out:

1. The location of the registration board;
2. Days and hours that the board is open for registration;
3. Who are the local officials that are elected to office;
4. Time of year for elections;
5. Health services available;
6. Location of the Social Security Office;
7. Location of the Welfare Department.

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[REDACTED] advised that a Rev. VERDELL JACKSON resides in a little house located adjacent to the church in front of the Dorchester Community Center and that he ultimately is destined to become the leader of the Dorchester Community Center. [REDACTED] advised that all of the records pertaining to the Dorchester Community Center are maintained in JACKSON's office. b7(D)

[REDACTED] stated that he has learned that the Dorchester Center is owned by a group of people known by the name of the Dorchester Cooperatives who make available the center to the SCLC for its workshop. He stated that at the present time the SCLC owes approximately \$1200.00 to the Cooperatives and that he is of the opinion that CURTIS is the treasurer of the Cooperatives at the present time.

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[REDACTED] stated that SEPTIMA P. CLARK, the supervisor of teacher training at the center, has been into his office on many occasions and he knows her very well.

The Bureau is requested to copy any of the enclosed material that they may desire and return the material to [REDACTED] so that it may be returned to [REDACTED] b7(D)

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The Bureau is also requested to advise if additional investigation should be made concerning this matter it being noted that the subject has attended the Highlander Folk School and has individuals of questionable security background such as SEPPIA CLARK and HUNTER FITH O'DELL on his staff.

The Bureau is also requested to advise whether additional investigation should be conducted to determine the identity of the unidentified individual reflected in the photograph with the subject and if the Atlanta Office should contact [REDACTED] to ascertain whether or not he has additional material indicating association of the subject with individuals who are associated with front organizations or the Communist Party. 67(c)

UACB, Savannah will conduct investigation concerning CURTWRIGHT in an attempt to ascertain the identity of the bank and source of funds of SCLC for payment to CURTWRIGHT. //

(14) Martin Luther King - In attendance "Highlander Folk School"  
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Martin Luther King at "Highlander Folk School"

9/57 - Furnished by SV letter dated 3/22/63





Highlander Folk School

Taken 9/57

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Under Caption Martin Luther King, SM-c

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Highlander Folk School

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Highlander Folk School

taken 9/57

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Under Caption: Martin Luther King, SM-C

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Aubrey Williams - Photo taken 9/57/6 at  
Highlander Folk School - furnished by  
SV. by letter 3/22/63 entitled  
Martin Luther King, sm-c Bufile 100-146670



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
RACIAL MATTERS

DATE: March 25, 1963

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated 3/12/63 which set forth information concerning a conversation between Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and Stanley Levison concerning a forthcoming article in the magazine "The Nation," which article deals with the 1962 program of the Kennedy Administration in Civil Rights.

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According to [REDACTED] O'Dell told Levison that Carey McWilliams of "The Nation" magazine called O'Dell and told O'Dell he had received Martin Luther King's article which will be published in the March 30 edition of "The Nation." McWilliams was so impressed by the article that he recommended all members of Congress be sent copies of the article. Levison told O'Dell to drop King a line informing him of McWilliams' opinion of the article.

ACTION:

We alerted the White House and the Attorney General by letters dated March 12, 1963, concerning the forthcoming article. It is recommended that the attached letters to Mr. P. Kenneth O'Donnell, Special Assistant to the President and the Attorney General be sent setting forth the additional information received.

Enclosures - 2 sent 3-26-63

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
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March 26, 1963  
BY COURIER SERVICE  
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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. O'Donnell:

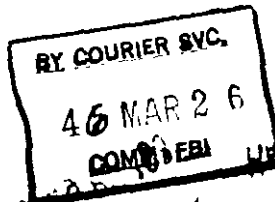
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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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The Attorney General

March 26, 1963

Director, FBI

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REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTERS

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The Attorney General

The information concerning the article being published in the March 30, 1963, edition of "The Nation" and the conversation between Levinson and O'Dell is being furnished to Mr. P. Kenneth O'Donnell.

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

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FROM- DIRECTOR, FBI

TO- SAC, ATLANTA /157-400/

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RACIAL MATTERS.

LOCAL NEWS MEDIA GIVING EXTENSIVE COVERAGE TO REFUSAL OF  
LOVETT SCHOOL AT ATLANTA TO ACCEPT A STUDENT, MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, III, FIVE YEAR OLD SON OF CAPTIONED PERSON. LOVETT  
SCHOOL IS A PRIVATE INSTITUTION WITH EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
CONNECTIONS. NO INQUIRIES RECEIVED ATLANTA. ABOVE FOR INFO  
OF BUREAU IN EVENT DEPARTMENT MAKES INQUIRY. DEPARTMENT BEING  
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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Tolson  
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Date: 3/13/63

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Via AIRTEL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452),  
SAC, BIRMINGHAM (100- )

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON  
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✓ [REDACTED] b(2)b7(D) advised on 3/9/63, that LEVISON had a discussion with JACK (HUNTER PITTS) O'DELL on that date. They spoke of "taking a trip down there (apparently to Atlanta) to discuss long range questions". However, they did not decide on the exact time they would take the trip, but indicated it would be sometime this spring. 6

LEVISON asked O'DELL, "So far as you know, JACK, are the plans for the activity in the un-named city still going through?" O'DELL replied, "Yes, as far as I know, I haven't 6

- 6 - Bureau (100-392452) (RM)  
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    (1 - 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
    (1 - 100-438794) (COMINFIL SCLC)  
2 - Birmingham (100- ) (RM)  
4 - Atlanta (100- ) (Info) (RM)  
    (1 - 100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
    (1 - 100-6078) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL)  
    (1 - 100-5718) (COMINFIL SCLC)  
1 - New York (100-91330) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) (414)  
1 - New York (100-149194) (COMINFIL SCLC) (41)  
1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (412)  
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1 - New York (100-111180) (414)

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heard of any change". Later in the conversation, the city of Birmingham was mentioned, but informant was unable to determine if above remarks were in reference to Birmingham. ~~3~~

~~3~~ <sup>b(2) b(7)(D)</sup> further advised on 3/10/63, that LEVISON conversed with MARTIN LUTHER KING on that date. KING stated that he would be in New York sometime next week and wanted to get a group together at HARRY's (BELLAFONTE ?) to discuss "this Birmingham thing". KING added, "We decided to postpone that thing until the day after the election because BULL O'CONNOR is in the run-off and we feel that if we make a move before that time, he could use that to his advantage.....~~4~~

KING then told LEVISON "that going into Birmingham is going to be a difficult matter; that they are going to do everything they can to destroy the image of the SCLC, (Southern Christian Leadership Conference), particularly the Birmingham newspaper. Now, since they played this thing up so much we were wondering if it would be better to continue sending the salaries through the usual channels". LEVISON agreed and concluded by stating, "There is no sense giving them a timely red herring". ~~5~~

For the information of the Bureau, KING's remark regarding salaries would indicate that O'DELL is still being paid by the SCLC in a surreptitious manner. ~~6~~

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A letterhead memorandum is not being submitted with this airtel because of the ambiguous nature of the information set forth.

Birmingham advise Bureau and NYO if it has knowledge of KING's purpose in going to Birmingham as referred to above.

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The Attorney General

March 12, 1963

Director, FBI

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RACIAL MATTERS

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According to the first source, Reverend Mr. King and Levison discussed an article that Reverend Mr. King is preparing for the magazine "The Nation." The article deals with the 1962 program of the Administration in civil rights and Reverend Mr. King feels the article needs changing in view of the President's civil rights message. Levison told Reverend Mr. King to bear in mind that what "The Nation" was presenting each year were Reverend Mr. King's observations about the preceding year so that it would be proper to confine the article to observations about 1962. Levison pointed out, in addition, however, that it may be too stale to be discussing only 1962 this late in 1963 and that Reverend Mr. King ought to mention something about the President's civil rights message.

Reverend Mr. King referred to the "schizophrenic tendency of the Administration, on one hand it appoints Thurgood Marshall as a Federal Judge and then appoints judges in the South who are outright segregationists."

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**The Attorney General**

Reverend Mr. King concluded by stating that his contention is that if he (President Kennedy) would get out and really fight and crusade for it, the civil rights program would have a stronger chance of getting through. Levison agreed with Reverend Mr. King on this observation. 

This information is being furnished to Mr. P. Kenneth O'Donnell.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

SEE MEMO ROSEN TO BELMONT, CAPTIONED  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, 3/11/63, RBL:vhm.

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *also* \*

FROM : A. Rosen *0*

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
RACIAL MATTERS

DATE: 3/11/63

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING

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ACTION:

That attached memoranda be furnished to Mr. P. Kenneth O'Donnell, Special Assistant to the President, and the Attorney General.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-826)  
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
RACIAL MATTERS  
(OO: Atlanta)

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Date Form: 3/11/63  
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Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between MARTIN LUTHER KING and STANLEY LEVISON on March 6, 1963.

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(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
(1-100- ) (THE NATION)

2-Atlanta (Encl. 2) (RM)  
(1-100-5546)

1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)  
1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (412)  
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1-New York (157-826)

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Special Agent in Charge

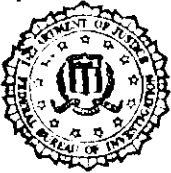
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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New York, New York  
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Re: Martin Luther King  
Racial Matters

On March 6, 1963, a confidential source that has  
furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Dr.  
Martin Luther King, Jr. and Stanley Levison had a lengthy  
discussion on that date.

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According to the first source, King and Levison  
discussed an article that King is preparing for the magazine,  
"The Nation." King is trying to finalize this article which

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Re: Martin Luther King  
Racial Matters

he had to delay because of his travelling around the country. King is of the opinion that the article needs to be changed now in the light of President John F. Kennedy's Civil Rights message. King feels that the article which deals with the 1962 program of the Administration in Civil Rights, isn't quite as relevant now as it would have been prior to the President's Civil Rights message. X

Levison asked King to bear in mind that what "The Nation" was presenting each year were King's observations about the preceding year so that it would be proper to confine this latest article to observations about 1962. Levison pointed out, however, that it may be too stale to be discussing only 1962 this late in 1963, and that nothing compels King to stick to the formula of only discussing 1962. Levison stated that he would obtain a copy of the President's message and send it to King with "any other points on it," and although this would delay the article even more, it will improve the timeliness of it. King stated that the article does not need an extensive revision, but the message has to be mentioned somewhere. X

Levison and King then discussed the President's Civil Rights message. King said he made a statement after the message came out to the effect that "if we can get a significant break-through in voter registration it will mean a great deal.....in the total struggle, but it doesn't go far enough." King referred to the "schizophrenic tendency of the Administration, on one hand it appoints a Thurgood Marshall as a Federal Judge and then appoints judges in the South who are outright segregationists." King stated that "Kennedy has often said to me - that you can't get this through...There is no point in introducing strong Civil Rights legislation because you can't get it through." King concluded by stating that his contention is that if he (President Kennedy) would get out and really fight - crusade for it, it would have a stronger chance of getting through." Levison agreed with King on this observation. X

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1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. McGowan  
1 - Mr. Lavin  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Evans

March 12, 1963

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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. O'Donnell:

A confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past has furnished this Bureau information to the effect that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Stanley Levison had a lengthy conversation on March 6, 1963. As I have previously pointed out to you, Stanley David Levison has been identified by another confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past as a secret member of the Communist Party.

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AGENCIES  
TO: BELMONT, MOHR, CASPER, CALLAHAN, CONRAD, DELOACH, EVANS, GALE, ROSEN, SULLIVAN, TAVEL  
FROM: DIRECTOR  
SUBJECT: [illegible]  
DATE: [illegible]

According to the first source, Reverend Mr. King and Levison discussed an article that Reverend Mr. King is preparing for the magazine "The Nation." The article deals with the 1962 program of the Administration in civil rights and Reverend Mr. King feels the article needs changing in view of the President's civil rights message. Levison told Reverend Mr. King to bear in mind that what "The Nation" was presenting each year were Reverend Mr. King's observations about the preceding year so that it would be proper to confine the article to observations about 1962. Levison pointed out, in addition, however, that it may be too stale to be discussing only 1962 this late in 1963 and that Reverend Mr. King ought to mention something about the President's civil rights message.

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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

Reverend Mr. King referred to the "schizophrenic tendency of the Administration, on one hand it appoints a Thurgood Marshall as a Federal Judge and then appoints judges in the South who are outright segregationists." ~~X~~

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This information is being furnished to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

SEE MEMO ROSEN TO BELMONT, CAPTIONED  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, 3/11/63, RBL:vhm.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

DATE: 2/21/63

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586) (P)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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ReBulet to Savannah, 2/13/63, enclosing photos of 2 individuals the Bureau believed to be the subject and HUNTER PITTS O'DELL.

The individual with KING in these photos is WYATT T. WALKER, Executive Director of Southern Christian Leadership Conference. O'DELL is about the same height as KING - 5'8". WALKER is 6' and about half a head taller than KING as shown in the photo.

Atlanta will remain alert for photos of O'DELL and KING together.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

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February 13, 1963

Director, FBI

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

1 - Mr. Reddy  
1 - Mr. Forsyth  
1 - Mr. Haack  
1 - Mr. Floyd

Reference is made to prior correspondence concerning the captioned individual.

Information has been received that on February 5, 1963, Levison was in contact with Martin Luther King, Jr., while the latter was in New York City. In this connection, there is enclosed for your information one copy of a memorandum containing pertinent information & available.

Enclosure

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)  
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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)  
SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON  
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ReNYairtel to Bureau 2/6/63.

Enclosed are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a meeting between MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. and STANLEY DAVID LEVISON in New York City on 2/5/63.

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This memorandum has been classified Confidential because it contains information from the above three sources, the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CP, USA and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of the country.

In connection with KING's speech on 2/5/63, the NYO will continue efforts to ascertain the contents of this speech.

- 4 - Bureau (100-392452) (Encs. 6) (RM)  
1 - 100- MARTIN LUTHER KING  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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BU 100-392452

New York, New York  
February 11, 1963

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Re: Stanley David Levison  
Internal Security - C

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 5, 1963, that Stanley Levison and Martin Luther King, Jr., planned to meet in New York City on February 5, 1963. ~~1~~

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According to the first source, Levison, was to meet King at King's room at the Sheridan - Atlantic Hotel in the late afternoon of February 5, 1963. Levison was to give King some notes that King could use in preparation for a speech that he was making that evening, at the Essex House Hotel, 160 Central Park South, New York City. According to the source, this speech was to be given at a dinner which was to commence at six thirty that evening. ~~1~~

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[REDACTED] advised the following on February 11, 1963: The only dinner affair held at the hotel on February 5, 1963, was a dinner of the American Jewish Congress.

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Re: Stanley David Levison  
Internal Security - C

This was a Kosher catered dinner for seventy people, and therefore no hotel personnel were used in connection with serving the dinner.

The reservation for the dinner was made by S. Facher, Fund Raising Director of the American Jewish Congress.

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The first source also advised on February 6, 1963, that Levison, had a discussion on that date with Sy Facher. They discussed the dinner of the previous evening. Levison stated he was not sure that he saw the purpose of this kind of thing from the fund raising point of view. He questioned why the gathering was so small. Facher replied he would have liked to have had it bigger but it would not have been practical.

Facher stated that it was not just a fund raising dinner, that there were implications for the (American Jewish) Congress program.

Facher asked to whom he should make out the check. Levison replied that it should be made out to Martin (Luther King) because it is for King's own personal use.

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TO DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION - C, OFFICE OF ORIGIN  
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[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE THAT STANLEY LEVISON  
 VISITED WITH NEW YORK ATTORNEY MEYER AD POLIER CONCERNING  
 HIGGS' PROSECUTION BY NEW YORK ATTORNEY IN JACKSON."  
 LEVISON STATED HE JUST LEARNED THAT THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
 SET A BAIL OF \$100,000 FOR HIGGS' RELEASE. APPARENTLY THEY PUT  
 LEVISON IN HIDE AS A KID, A YOUNG KID, AND HE HAS  
 NO MONEY. HIGGS EXPECTS TO BE ARRESTED VERY  
 SOON, ACCORDING TO POLIER. POLIER INDICATED THAT HE WAS  
 RE OF THE SITUATION AND ALSO THAT THE CIVIL LIBERTIES  
 ORGANIZATION HIGGS AN AWARD OF THE TWELFTH AND "THEY  
 E BEEN ALLIED ON THIS AND SAY THEY WILL GET BEHIND HIM."  
 IS TOLD POLIER THAT HIS TUTORED JAMES MEREDITH AND  
 KEITH HIGGS ATTORNEY. POLIER SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD  
 WELL FOR HIGGS TO GET A PROMINENT LAWYER PRIOR TO THE  
 E. LEVISON SAID THIS WAS AN EXCELLENT  
 AND THEN HIGGS AGREED THAT EVERYBODY WOULD BE RAISED  
 COVER THE EXPENSES INVOLVED. SUBSEQUENTLY LEVISON, IN A  
 CONVERSATION WITH NEW YORK ATTORNEY WILLIAM HIGGLES,  
 CONCERNING THE ABOVE, STATED THAT "IN THIS CASE DEVELOPS,  
 EY FIGURE WOULD BE MEREDITH BECAUSE HE KNOWS HIGGS."  
 Y AGREED THAT MEREDITH WOULD BE MUCH MORE EFFECTIVE AT  
 ASS MEETING IN NEW YORK, FOR EXAMPLE, ON BEHALF OF HIGGS  
 N WOULD BE MARTIN LUTHER KING, WHO IS TOO FAR REMOVED  
 WOULD BE SITTING. THEY ALSO AGREED THAT WHEN "IT" BREAKS,  
 GREGG WILL BE THE ONLY FITCH IN ATLANTA AND BEING ALSO. (2)

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan ~~Secret~~ DATE: February 8, 1963

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
SECURITY MATTER - CCLASSIFIED AND EXTENDED BY SP4 JRM/ld  
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On the afternoon of 2/8/63, ASAC Roney of the New York Office called concerning Martin Luther King.

Roney said that a pretext call was made to the manager of the Essex House Hotel and it was determined that Martin Luther King attended a dinner at the Essex House Hotel, 160 Central Park South, New York City, on 2/5/63. There were approximately 70 people present.

ACTION:

The above is for information.

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Sizoo
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner

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SAC, Savannah

February 13, 1963

Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

1- Mr. Reddy  
1- Mr. Floyd  
1- Mr. Forsyth

Reurlet 1-16-63 entitled "Hunter Pitts O'Dell  
Internal Security - C."

Returned herewith to Savannah is one roll of  
16 millimeter developed film which was submitted with the  
referenced letter. Also enclosed herewith for Savannah are  
five photographic enlargements taken from the 16 millimeter  
film.

Enclosed herewith for Atlanta are three photographs  
taken from the afore-mentioned film which are believed to  
be of Martin Luther King, Jr., and Hunter Pitts O'Dell.

Atlanta and Savannah are instructed to remain  
alert for opportunities to discreetly obtain good still pictures  
of the subject and especially pictures showing the subject in  
company with Hunter Pitts O'Dell or Stanley Levison. In the  
event such pictures are obtained, they should be furnished  
to the Bureau without delay.

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2- Atlanta (100-5586) (Enclosures - 3)

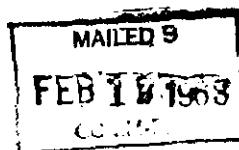
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Subject on Reserve Index, Section A. The above  
listed film was an effort to get photographs of King in  
company with O'Dell and Levison. Efforts to obtain still  
pictures were negative. The above listed 16 millimeter  
film did not lend itself to good still enlargements.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)  
SAC, ATLANTA

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON  
IS-C  
(OO: New York)

**[REDACTED]** advised 2/5/63, that MARTIN LUTHER KING contacted STANLEY LEVISON in NYC on that date.

LEVISON said that he had some notes for KING for tonight (2/5/63). KING said that was the reason for his call. KING indicated that he was attending a dinner at the Essex House on 59th St. at about 6:30 p.m., that evening. LEVISON agreed to meet KING at KING's room at the Sheridan-Atlantic Hotel at 5:00 p.m., at which time LEVISON would give KING the notes referred to above.

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(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
1-Atlanta (100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (Info) (RM)  
1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (412)  
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The Attorney General

January 30, 1963

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Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. McGowan  
1 - Mr. Lavin  
1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans

EX-103

On January 28, 1963, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Stanley Levison was in contact with one Phil, believed to be William Kunstler, a New York attorney. According to the source, Kunstler and Levison discussed an affair which had been held recently in Westchester County, New York, as a fund-raising campaign for Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. They also discussed a proposed rally which was to have been held in Madison Square Garden this coming spring for the same purpose, which rally however has been canceled by Levison.

According to the source, Kunstler mentioned that the Ghandi Society for Human Rights was doing a lot of legal work and the society has a boy it is sponsoring for the University of Mississippi. The Ghandi Society for Human Rights was recently organized by Stanley Levison, who has been described by an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past, as a secret member of the Communist Party.

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Kunstler mentioned that the boy's name is Dewey Green, who is seven years younger than James Meredith who is presently enrolled at the University of Mississippi. Green is single and has three years' service in the Navy. He is to walk on the campus of the University of Mississippi at 11:00 A. M. on January 31, 1963, and attempt to register. Kunstler indicated he thought Green would be thrown off the campus and stated he had written and called Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall for protection for the boy.

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Kunstler indicated to Levison that he spoke to James Meredith on January 27, 1963, and Meredith is not sure he is going to quit the University of Mississippi and his grades may be good enough for him to remain. Someone is trying to get Meredith to write a book and this would mean his leaving the University.

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Mohr  
Casper  
Callahan  
Conrad  
DeLoach  
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Holmes  
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**The Attorney General**

Kunstler suggested to Levison that Reverend Mr. King call Meredith concerning his staying at the University of Mississippi and mention that the idea of a book is not a good one. **B**

According to the source, Kunstler indicated that Green had applied once before for admission to the University of Mississippi and had been rejected. The sponsoring of Dewey Green, according to the source, is a combination affair of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights and the American Civil Liberties Union. Green's grades are not particularly good but they are good enough for the University of Mississippi. Green is now attending a Negro vocational college in Mississippi. **a**

Kunstler indicated that Assistant Attorney General Marshall is attempting to talk Kunstler and Bill Higgs out of filing a case against the Attorney General. It is believed that this has reference to the civil action filed in the U. S. District Court, Washington, D. C., on January 2, 1963, captioned "Robert Moses, et al., versus Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General of the United States, and J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation," which is in the nature of a mandamus proceeding to compel the defendants to perform certain duties owed to the plaintiffs and to the class which they represent in the field of civil rights. **U**

**1 - The Deputy Attorney General**

**1 - Mr. Burke Marshall**  
**Assistant Attorney General**

**1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley**  
**Assistant Attorney General**

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

1/29/63

Civil Rights Division being  
telephonically advised, and  
memorandum being prepared for  
the Attorney General.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Evans	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

URGENT 1-29-63 3-39 PM JAM

TO DIRECTOR 100-106670 6

FROM SAC NEW YORK 100-136585 2P

MARTIN LUTHER KING., SM-C. OO ATLANTA.

ON JANUARY TWENTY EIGHT, SIXTY THREE, *b(2)*

*b(7)(D)*  
[REDACTED] FURNISHED A CONVERSATION BETWEEN LEVISON AND BILL  
/POSSIBLY NEW YORK ATTORNEY WILLIAM KUNSTLER/. THEY DISCUSSED AN  
AFFAIR WHICH HAD BEEN HELD RECENTLY IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY AS A  
FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED  
A PROPOSED RALLY WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN HELD IN MADISON SQUARE  
GARDEN / THIS SPRING/ FOR THE SAME PURPOSE WHICH LEVISON HAD KILLED.

BILL SAID THAT GHANDI / GHANDI SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS/  
WAS DOING A LOT OF LEGAL WORK AND HAS A BOY THEY ARE SPONSORING  
FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI. BILL SAID THAT THE BOY IS  
DEWEY GREEN, SEVEN YEARS YOUNGER THAN MEREDITH, SINGLE AND HAS  
THREE YEARS IN THE NAVY. HE IS TO WALK ON THE CAMPUS AT ELEVEN AM  
ON THE THIRTY FIRST AND ATTEMPT TO REGISTER. BILL SAID THAT HE  
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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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THOUGHT GREEN WOULD BE THROWN OFF THE CAMPUS AND THAT HE HAS  
WRITTEN AND CALLED BURKE MARSHALL /ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL/  
FOR PROTECTION FOR THE BOY. BILL SPOKE TO MEREDITH LAST NIGHT  
ONE TWENTY SEVEN SIXTY THREE AND MEREDITH IS NOT SURE HE IS GOING  
TO QUIT., THAT MEREDITH-S GRADES WILL BE GOOD ENOUGH TO STAY  
BUT SOMEONE IS TRYING TO GET MEREDITH TO WRITE A BOOK AND THIS  
WOULD MEAN LEAVING. ACCORDING TO BILL, GREEN HAS APPLIED AND HAS  
BEEN REJECTED ONCE BEFORE. BILL SAID THAT THIS WAS A COMBINATION  
SPONSORED BY GHANDI AND THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION.  
GREEN-S GRADES ARE NOT GOOD, BUT THEY ARE GOOD ENOUGH FOR OLE  
MISS. HE IS NOW GOING TO A NEGRO VOCATIONAL COLLEGE IN MISS. BILL  
SUGGESTED TO LEVISON THAT KING CALL MEREDITH CONCERNING STAYING  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI AND THAT THE BOOK WAS NOT SUCH  
A GOOD IDEA. BILL SAID THAT MARSHALL IS TRYING TO TALK HE AND BILL  
HIGGS /PHONETIC/ OUT OF FILING A CASE AGAINST " BOBBY".

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)  
SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON  
IS-C  
(OO: NY)

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ON *9-25-80*

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*[REDACTED]* advised on 1/26/63, that on the afternoon of that date, the subject's twin brother ROY BENNETT contacted the subject. BENNETT said that he "needs a Negro." LEVISON asked if it is for housework and BENNETT replied that he needs "one" for a table sitting at a dinner. He added that the subject could come if he wants to, "in a black face." (Both laughed at this remark).

BENNETT explained that Mrs. R. PETER STRAUSS (ph) instructed him to get some Negroes for her \$600 table at the Roosevelt thing (ph) Dinner (later referred to as an ADA (Americans for Democratic Action) dinner). LEVISON suggested that BENNETT invite CLARENCE JONES and JACK O'DELL. LEVISON described JONES and O'DELL as two of Dr. (MARTIN LUTHER) KING's aides and that O'DELL runs the New York Office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

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(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
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(1-100- ) (COMINFIL SCLC)  
1-New York (100-91330) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) (414)  
1-New York (100-111203) (ROY BENNETT)  
1-New York (100-149194) (COMINFIL SCLC)  
1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
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LEVISON suggested that BENNETT tell JONES and O'DELL that LEVISON had recommended them for the ADA dinner. BENNETT said he didn't see why <sup>he should</sup>, because he told Assemblyman TOM JONES from Brooklyn why he was inviting him. LEVISON replied that BENNETT could tell TOM JONES and CLARENCE (JONES), but you can't tell JACK O'DELL because he is sensitive.

LEVISON suggested that BENNETT tell O'DELL he had extra tickets. BENNETT said he may not ~~invite~~ O'DELL because it is a table of five couples and he doesn't want three Negro couples. BENNETT added that in proportion to population, "they" are only 1.7 and what he needs is .7 man. (Both found this amusing)

The above is being submitted to the Bureau for their information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

DATE: 1/25/63

FROM :

SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

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SUBJECT:

MARTIN LUTHER KING  
SM-C  
(OO: Atlanta)

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[REDACTED] advised on 1/24/63, that on that date, STANLEY LEVISON held a conversation with a MARY O'DELL (ph), not further identified (NYO has no information to indicate that MARY O'DELL (ph) is related to HUNTER PITTS O'DELL NY file 100-91330).

MARY O'DELL (ph) told LEVISON that she had a phone call from LARRY HALSTEADER (ph) who is working with a TV program conducted by MERV GRIFFIN (ph) on NBC, 185 station network. They are doing an hour show on Lincoln's birthday and they would love to have "MARTIN" (MARTIN LUTHER KING) on the program. They would expect MARTIN to give a four or five minute talk on anything he wants and then there would be a discussion.

LEVISON stated "MARTIN" feels a strong obligation to reach a large number of people whenever he can, but he will have to check because he feels that on Lincoln's birthday "MARTIN" would have other engagements. LEVISON will get in touch with "MARTIN's" secretary and let MARY O'DELL (ph) know if "MARTIN" will be available.

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  - 2-Atlanta (100-5586) (RM)
  - 1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)
  - 1-New York (100-136585) (414)
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January 31, 1963

Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Rosen, Attention: Lavin  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Forsyth

In response to your inquiry of Assistant Director Courtney A. Evans on January 30, 1963, you are advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., accompanied by Hunter Pitts O'Dell and eight other officials of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), arrived in Savannah, Georgia, aboard Delta Airlines Flight Number 427 in the early morning of January 10, 1963. This group was met at the Savannah air terminal by Stanley Levison and the entire group departed Savannah in two automobiles.

Levison departed Savannah by train en route to New York City on the evening of January 11, 1963, while King, O'Dell and three other officials of the SCLC held reservations with the Delta Airlines for the morning of January 12, 1963. King, in a party of five, departed Savannah en route to Atlanta on Delta Airlines Flight Number 422 on the morning of January 12, 1963.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

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SUPPLEMENTAL CORRELATION SUMMARY

(See correlation summary dated 9/28/60, filed as 100-106670-11,  
and supplemental correlation summary dated 2/5/62, filed as  
100-106670-23)

Main File No: 100-106670  
see also 44-13605  
44-19780  
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157-286  
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Date: January 18, 1963

Subject: Martin Luther King, Jr. 676 Date Searched: 10/12/62

All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and  
identical references were found as:

Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Luther King  
M.L. King

2 Martin King  
Martin L. King

This is a summary of information obtained from a review  
of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the  
names and aliases listed above. All references under the above  
names containing data identical with the subject have been included  
except those listed at the end of this summary as not having been  
reviewed, or those determined to contain the same information as  
the main file.

This summary is designed to furnish a synopsis of the  
information set out in each reference. In many cases the original  
serial will contain the information in much more detail.

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Analyst

Coordinator

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ABBREVIATIONS

Add.info.....Additional information  
appearing in this reference  
which pertains to Martin  
Luther King, Jr. may be  
found in the main file or  
elsewhere in this summary.

SCLC.....Southern Christian  
Leadership Conference

RELATIVES WHO HAVE BUREAU MAIN FILES

The relationship, biographical data and the activities of Martin Luther King were set forth in the serials of the main files on his relatives as follows:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	44-18754-1	(3)
b7(c) [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	44-20100-3	(3)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	62-108052-1	(3)

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A pamphlet issued by the SCLC, 208 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta 3, Ga., indicated that the SCLC came into being in Atlanta, Ga., on 1/10/5 under the leadership of Martin Luther King, Jr.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], provided the above pamphlet which had been disseminated at Chapel Hill, N.C., on 10/27/61.

100-10355-982 p.4  
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A letter dated 9/25/57 from [REDACTED]  
Cincinnati 2, Ohio, enclosed group photographs of the individuals who attended a training seminar at the Highlander Folk School\*, Aug. 31-Sept. 2, 1957. Martin Luther King, aka, Martin L. King, was included in one of these photographs.

Photographs enclosed  
61-7511-203 p.2 Encl.p.12  
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\*Nonteagle, Tenn.

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"The Worker" 4/17/60, p.5, column 3, identified Bayard Rustin as a special assistant to the Rev. Martin Luther King, a prominent Negro minister active in civil rights matters.

On 10/5/61 Bayard Rustin was one of the speakers at a rally of the Monroe Defense Committee (100-436190) at the Hotel Diplomat in NYC. [REDACTED] (C)

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[100-436190-29 p.8  
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The Nation of Islam (25-330971), Temple Number Seven, sponsored a freedom rally on 5/13/61 at Seventh Ave. and 125th St., NYC. Martin Luther King was listed among the Harlem leaders who were invited to this rally. It was indicated that none of the invited guests attended this rally. [REDACTED] (C)

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The "New York Amsterdam News" 5/6/61, p.8, reported that Martin Luther King was among the Negro leaders invited to the above rally.

[25-330971-5304 p.56,57  
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[REDACTED] (C)

[100-26844-1541 p.4  
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[REDACTED] attended a speech in Albany, NY, by Martin Luther King, which was described as intended to stir up interest in the Negro liberation movement as well as in the Freedom Riders. [REDACTED] (C)

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100-382202-36 p.9  
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[REDACTED] (C)

The MFS also contributed to various Southern causes including the defense of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., according to a mimeographed leaflet captioned "MFS" which was supplied [REDACTED]

(protect identity)

b(7)(D)

It was noted that the FBI office covering King and the SCLC had been canvassed with negative results to determine if King and the SCLC were subject to a subversive characterization. (no further details)

100-435600-2 p.B,3,4  
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[REDACTED]

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105-65374-221 p.42,45,46  
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[REDACTED] b7(D)

[REDACTED] (c) b(1)

105-65374-188 p.68

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[REDACTED] advised that the Coordinating Committee of that organization planned to hold an all-night prayer vigil on 8/14/61. The prayer vigil was to be held in front of the Interstate Commerce Commission, 12th St. and Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, D.C., and it was expected that Martin Luther King would lead the activities.

100-225892-458

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[REDACTED] b7(c)

[REDACTED] b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised that a letter had been received from a [REDACTED] In this letter [REDACTED] had advised [REDACTED] that Earl Browder was receiving mail from Martin Luther King.

40-3798-836

(2)

A news release type communication of the Carl Braden Clemency Appeal Committee was being distributed by the Southern Conference Educational Fund (100-10355). This communication contained a list of the initial sponsors of the Carl Braden clemency petition and the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., was listed among these initial sponsors. (Communication made available on 8/18/61 by Thomas P. Monahan, Jr., Monahan Brothers Inc., 535 Gravier St., New Orleans, La., protect identity)

100-10355-974 p.14

(4)

[REDACTED] alleged that he paid \$100 to [REDACTED] in Miami, Fla., to "knock off" the Rev. Martin Luther King when King was in jail in Montgomery, Ala., sometime previously.

(An informant, not identified)

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Subsequently, another informant (not identified) advised that the above information regarding King at Montgomery, Ala., was a complete fabrication by [REDACTED]

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157-4-63-31

(7) [REDACTED] informant, not identified)

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The "Workers World" newspaper, dated 3/24/61, contained an article captioned "From Sit-Ins to Sell-Outs" which carried an editor's note which indicated that all the material was reprinted from a leaflet issued by a militant new group in Atlanta, Ga., called "Black Voice of Freedom," PO Box 9102, Station B, Atlanta 14, Ga. According to the editor's note this leaflet had included a reprint from the Oct. 28 "Workers World" captioned "The Truth About the Atlanta Sit-ins and The Role of Martin Luther King".

b(1) c [REDACTED] the leaflets described above which was distributed at a meeting at Muhammad's Mosque [REDACTED]

b7(D)

b7(D) [REDACTED] reported that a group headed by Dr. Lonnie Cross (100-399520) had printed and put out the leaflet described above which criticized Martin Luther King, Jr., for his policies in the desegregation fight.

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The Labor Day Conference of the Workers World Party was held at 831 Main St., Buffalo, NY, Sept. 2-4, 1961. At this meeting Lonnie Cross gave the first report on the Afro-American question and stated that those who were for revolution would have to stand with the Muslims and those who were for reform must live up to the NAACP, Martin Luther King and the FBI. [REDACTED] (c) [REDACTED] b(1)

[REDACTED] (c)  
100-399520-67 p.4,5,9

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105-73719-19 p.3,6,9,10

(7) (The newspaper "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" 113 Lenox Ave., NYC, which was published in the Spring of 1961 by the NYC Temple of Islam.)

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[REDACTED] b7(D)

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[REDACTED]

Add. info.

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100-358916-175 p.B,2,3  
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In Oct. 1961, [REDACTED] stated that most of the South's racial troubles could be solved by the elimination of Martin Luther King, a Negro leader who resided in Atlanta, Ga. [REDACTED] said he had an underworld contact in New Orleans, La., who would kill anyone for a price. [REDACTED] said he had been in contact with this person and a fee of \$2,000 had been set for the murder of King. [REDACTED] stated that the [REDACTED] had no money and that he saw little chance of being able to raise \$2,000. [REDACTED]

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157-166-39 p.5  
(17)

"The Worker" 10/1/61, p.3, contained an editorial captioned "The Right To Vote" which expressed support of an announcement of Martin Luther King in regard to a drive to double the number of Negro registered voters. This editorial indicated that the annual session of the SCLC was then taking place in Nashville, Tenn., and it would implement plans for the voting registration drive.

[REDACTED]

(C) b(1)  
100-3-7344 p.62,65  
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SI to par. 2  
157-446-3  
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The "Philadelphia Inquirer" dated 10/22/61 reported an interview with Dr. Martin Luther King who was in Philadelphia. It was indicated that Dr. King condemned the black supremacy philosophy of the Black Muslim brotherhood and stated that the militant faction could never hope to gain the support of the nation's Negroes.

25-330971-5600 p.14

b7(D) (2)

[REDACTED] advised that there was a voter registration campaign underway in New Orleans, La., and that the national program was under the direction of Rev. Martin Luther King.

157-446-5  
(17)

Tampa report dated 12/29/61 captioned "Knights Of The Ku Klux Klan, aka; Racial Matters" set out detailed information regarding meetings and social gatherings of this organization in Clearwater, Fla., in Oct. and Nov. 1961. At these meetings disruptive tactics, the distribution of signs and various plans were discussed in connection with a public speech of Martin Luther King at an NAACP meeting in Tampa, Fla., on 11/19/61.

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[100-356570-422 p.1,17,20,21,26,31,34] (4) E

b7(D)

[REDACTED] Mae Mallory had talked to Rev. Martin Luther King outside of a church in Cleveland, Ohio, where King gave a talk. [REDACTED] stated that King had pointed out that he was on the side of Mae Mallory and in addition King signed one of the petitions in favor of Mallory.

(b1) (c)

On 8/31/61 an authorized complaint was filed and a warrant was issued by the US Commissioner, Charlotte, NC, charging Willie Mae Mallory (also commonly referred to as Mae Mallory) with Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution for the crime of kidnapping, in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 1073. On 10/12/61 Mallory was apprehended in Cleveland by the FBI.

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[100-430074-21 p.15] (5)

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b7(D) [REDACTED], advised that Rev. Martin Luther King spoke for about 10 minutes to 3 groups of Negroes at the United Bethel Church, Liberty and Thalia St., the Second Baptist Church, 2517 Jackson Ave., and St. John's Baptist Church at Magnolia and Jackson Ave., New Orleans, on 12/14/61. [REDACTED] advised that the use of the Municipal Auditorium had been denied to the Consumers League for a meeting on 12/14/61 at which King was to be the speaker. [REDACTED] also reported information concerning a suit, injunction and appeal in the Louisiana Courts in regard to this matter.

157-243-9

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SI 157-343-8

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SI 157-343-4

(17)(12/11/61, a confidential source, not further identified)

On 12/14/61 Helen Sobell (100-404849) spoke on the south campus of the City College of New York, (CCNY). Sobell was sponsored by the E.V. Debs Club of the CCNY and she spoke about her husband's trial. Helen Sobell said that Morton Sobell was innocent and she claimed to be supported by the Rev. Martin Luther King and several other people. [REDACTED] (c) b(1)

[100-404849-92] (5) e

The "Cincinnati Enquirer," Cincinnati, Ohio, 12/19/61, contained an article captioned "Bomb Warning Hoax Delays Freedom Rally in Avondale; Policemen Search Zion Church; Dr. King, Sr., Is Speaker". The article reported that the principal speaker Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., president of the SCLC, was unable to attend the above rally, on 12/18/61, as he was arrested and jailed in Albany, Ga., following mass demonstrations over segregation and his father spoke in his place. The article set out additional details in regard to the above arrest of King.

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[100-43745-1 Encl.p.1  
(6)]

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"The Order" distributed by the Realm of Georgia, United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (157-370) in Jan. 1962 contained the following statement. "Martin Luther King stated that if we did not surrender and if the Government did not make us accept the Negroes, he and they would turn elsewhere, and that the Nigger has gone too far to turn back now. Just what did he mean?" [REDACTED] (c)

[REDACTED] c b(1)

The "Pensacola News", Pensacola, Fla., 1/5/62, contained an article captioned "More Mass Rallies Due for Negroes". The article reported that at a mass rally the previous night at the Greater Little Rock Baptist Church, F and Brainerd St., Pensacola, the Negroes were told by the Rev. W.C. Dobbins, a leader in the rallies sponsored by the Pensacola Council of Ministers, that in the coming weeks the committee hoped to bring the Rev. Martin Luther King and several other persons to Pensacola. (Committee not identified)

157-6-63-316  
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A Photostat of an article captioned "Races: Confused Crusade" from "Time" magazine, 1/12/62, p.15, contained detailed information in regard to the civil rights activities of Martin Luther King. King was the "man in the middle" between the NAACP and the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee.

61-3176-A "Time" 1/12/62  
(3)

"A Petition For Clemency To The President Of The United States" indicated that "We, the undersigned, herewith earnestly support the Petition for executive clemency submitted to you by Carl Braden and Frank Wilkinson, whose appeals to the Supreme Court of the United States were denied on Feb 27, 1961, by a decision of five to four." Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., was listed twice among the individuals who had signed the above petition under the subheadings of "Initiating Signers" and "General Leaders And Public Figures."

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c b(1) A copy of above petition was enclosed which was furnished [redacted] who advised that it was obtained [redacted] Chicago Committee To Defend The Bill Of Rights (100-433419), Room 811, 189 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill. (S) b7(b)

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Chicago Airtel dated 3/8/62 was captioned "Nation of Islam (Annual Muslim Convention)" Internal Security-NOI. This airtel reported the proceedings at the Annual Muslim Convention on Feb 24-26, 1962 in the International Amphitheater, Chicago, Ill.

b(1) [redacted] c at the above convention on 2/25/62, Elijah Muhammad spoke and stated that "Martin Luther King is a white man's puppet." (E)

It was noted that Martin Luther King was the ideological leader of the southern Negro boycott movement.

[25-330971-5682 Encl.p.20] (2) B

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On or about 3/1/62 Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., held a conference with a group of Negro students at the Holt Street Baptist Church in Montgomery, Ala., and outlined a program for conducting sit-in demonstrations at Montgomery. The selection and training of students who would participate in these demonstrations was described in detail. ( [REDACTED] )

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157-6-61-87  
(17)

b(2) b7(D)

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The "Mobile Register", 3/20/62, reported that Negro integration leader Martin Luther King, Jr., spoke at the Negro First Baptist Church at Huntsville, Ala., and called on Negroes to be ready to die if necessary to obtain racial equality.

157-6-61-85  
(17)

On 3/27/62 the "Lynchburg Daily Advance" reported that Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., was scheduled to speak on 3/27/62 at the E.C. Glass High School in Lynchburg, Va., at a meeting sponsored by the Lynchburg Chapter of the SCLC of which King was present. The newspaper article also reported that King had demanded several times that the HCUA be abolished and that individuals convicted of criminal offenses before this committee be pardoned by the President.

On 3/28/62 the "Lynchburg News" reported that King spoke at the above meeting and called on Negroes to continue their "non-violent" attack on segregation barriers. The same newspaper also contained an article which reported an interview with King on 3/27/62 in which he objected to the above article in the "Lynchburg Daily Advance" and called it a "terribly vicious story."

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On 3/28/62 [REDACTED] advised that about 2,000 persons attended the above meeting which was addressed by King and that \$2,217.75 was collected by the sponsors of the meeting.

Add. info.

157-6-41-355 p.1,2

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157-6-41-349

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[REDACTED] b(1) (c)  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., president of the SCLC, was to tour Virginia on 3/27,28/62 in connection with a voter registration drive among Negroes in the Fourth Congressional District of Va. This drive was sponsored by the Virginia Christian Leadership Conference, Petersburg Improvement Association, Hopewell Improvement Association and the Lynchburg Improvement Association, all affiliates of the SCLC. Detailed information was set out in regard to the schedule of King in Richmond, Petersburg, Lynchburg, Ettrick, Prince Edward County, Hopewell County and Dinwiddie County.

157-6-41-352

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[REDACTED] advised that the Rev. Martin Luther King of Atlanta, was to speak at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Atlanta on 4/2/62.

157-6-49-445

(17)

b(2) b7(D)

[REDACTED] furnished information that showed Stanley Levison was in contact with Martin Luther King, president of the SCLC, in regard to a new organization relating to Negro welfare. Levison indicated that he had been in contact with one Harry Wachtel regarding assistance in raising funds for King. Levison pointed out that Wachtel wanted to visit King in his home and that Wachtel could be of great assistance to them.

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On 4/12/62 Levison was in contact with one Harry (last name not known) regarding a letter of invitation to a luncheon on 5/17/62 to announce the formation of an agency to promote Negro welfare. This letter was to be signed by Martin Luther King. [REDACTED] b(2)b(7)(D)

[REDACTED] b(1)

It was not indicated whether the above "Harry Wachtel" or "Harry" was identical with Harry Herzhaft Wachtel (100-437828).

[100-437828-2 p.11] (6)

On 4/24/62, 3000 copies of a circular were passed out at the University of Miami campus, the Miami Senior High School and the Miami Beach High School. The circular was addressed to "Fellow Students" and it claimed to be "a Joint Cooperative Effort, By National Organizations concerned with achieving a just peace and preserving democratic values. Supported by Eleanor Roosevelt, Martin Luther King, Jr., Walter Reuther and other prominent human beings". The circular asked students to join the country-wide students demonstrations for peace, oppose atomic testing and turn toward peace and it called for a demonstration at the Dade County Court House, Miami, on the day following the first resumption of atomic testing. ("Miami News" 4/25/62 p.1)

100-437914-1  
(6)

The publication "Labor Today" (100-437063), Introductory Issue, Spring 1962, contained an article on p.11-14 entitled: "That Scaffold Sways The Future". According to an editorial note this article was a presentation of the major portion of an address by Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., which was delivered before the 25th Anniversary dinner at the UAW's convention in Detroit, Mich. (Date not given-copy of publication enclosed)

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[REDACTED] at a meeting of the Nation of Islam (NOI) and a man introduced only as a minister from Jacksonville was the principal speaker on the topic "Blind Preachers". This speaker stated that Martin Luther King and several other individuals were brainwashing the people and taking the Negroes' money and spending it with the white people. (Place not given) (S)

[REDACTED] b7(d)  
meeting of Muslims [REDACTED] Tampa, Fla. He said that Martin Luther King was telling the so-called American Negro to love the white people, but the white people were enemies of the black people. (S) b7(c)

[REDACTED] b2)  
100-437971-2 p.5,11 b7(D)  
(6)

This reference contained detailed information in regard to the activities of Hosea Hudson who visited Louisiana on May 26 and 27, 1962 and accompanied one Sargeant Caulfield, who had a record as a CP member, to Atlanta, Ga., where Caulfield met Hunter Pitts Odell who was reported to be the second in command in the organization of Martin Luther King, Jr. Caulfield was offered a position as a full time organizer for King's organization in getting Negroes registered to vote in Pointe Coupee and East Carroll Parishes, La. It was indicated that Hudson claimed the CP appropriated money for mass work in the South but Hudson told a non-CP member that the money would come from the group of Martin Luther King, Jr. [REDACTED] (C)

[REDACTED] b(1)  
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On 10/27/61 Jack Odell, aka. Hunter Pitts Odell, stated that he was the administrator of the NY Office of the SCLC, 312 West 125th St., NYC, and that this organization was headed by Martin Luther King, Jr., with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. (Pretext telephone call to Jack Odell 10/27/61)

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100-3-47-1284 p.2,6,8  
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The 6/6/62 issue of the "Arizona Journal", Phoenix, Ariz., contained an article captioned "Valley Man Plugs For World Constitutional Convention". This article reported that a world constitutional convention was scheduled for Geneva in Sept., 1962, which was called by the World Constitutional Coordinating Committee (105-109336). This article listed the Rev. Martin Luther King among several persons who were identified as "the callers of this convention". (no further details)

105-109336-5 p.3  
(7)

On 6/8/62 Wyatt Tee Walker, assistant director SCLC, advised that he, Rev. Martin Luther King and Bernard Lee, a member of SCLC, were flying to Shreveport, La., from Atlanta, Ga., on 6/8/62. Walker stated they were going to begin a drive for registering Negro voters in Shreveport and they would hold a meeting at the Little Union Baptist Church, Milam St., Shreveport. Walker added that Rev. C.C. McClain, Pastor of the Little Union Baptist Church, advised that he received telephonic threats that the church would be bombed and King would be killed if he came to Shreveport.

157-608-2 changed to  
157-609-3  
(18)

[REDACTED] stated  
[REDACTED] Martin Luther King was addressing a NAACP group in Orangeburg concerning a drive in South Carolina to arouse the Negro voters. (c) b(1) b7(b)

[REDACTED] was held and there was a general discussion about the situation in Albany, Ga., in regard to the arrest of Martin Luther King. (c) b(1)



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On 7/22/62 a rally sponsored by the Committee for Justice to Hospital Workers (62-108114) was held on 72nd St., between Second and Third Avenue, NYC. Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., a Southern integration leader, who was scheduled to appear at this rally did not appear. King sent a message to this rally which was read by A. Philip Randolph, President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. [REDACTED] b7(D)

62-108114-1 p.3  
(3)

[REDACTED] (c) b(1)

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b(1)

The Durham, NC, "Morning Herald", 8/14/62, reported that integration leaders in Durham revealed that a second freedom rally, similar to the one held in Durham on Aug. 12, 1962, was being planned and Dr. Martin Luther King was being sought as a speaker.

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[157-6-8-339 p.4] (16) e

On 9/3/62 a rally of the United Klans of America, Inc., (157-370), was held in a field about 5 mi. south of Albany, Ga., south of Highway 64. One of the speakers Calvin Craig, Grand Dragon for the State of Ga., stated that he had heard that Martin Luther King and his crowd were going to picket the Klan rally. Craig stated that no Negroes were present at the rally and never would be present at a Klan rally.

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[157-370-306 p.2] (17) e

On 9/20/62 John Patler and Ralph Grandinetti, both members of the American National Party (157-537), Post Office Box 191, New York 28, NY, picketed across the street from the Calvary Baptist Church, 111-10 NY Blvd., Jamaica, NY. This church was the site of a rally at which Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Negro integrationist, was the main speaker.

157-537-22 (18)

b7(D)

The "Birmingham Post-Herald", 9/5/62, reported that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., would be in Birmingham, Ala., 9/25/62. The article quoted the remarks of King in regard to a meeting of the SCLC in Birmingham on 9/25/62 which was to be the opening session of the SCLC national convention.

advised [redacted] made some remarks about the above SCLC meeting and said "Martin Luther is going to get a reception in Birmingham." (e)

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[157-4-4-42 p.4,6] (79) e

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The following references in the file captioned, "Southern Christian Leadership Conference", file No. 157-632, contain information pertaining to the activities of Martin Luther King, an officer of this organization.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
157-632-7	(18)✓
14	(18)✓
17	(18)✓
19	(18)✓
24X	(6)✓
26	(18)
28	(18)

The following references in the file captioned "Racial Matters, Birmingham, Ala., " file no. 157-6-4, contain information pertaining to the following activities of Martin Luther King in Birmingham. On 2/12/62 King spoke at a meeting of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights. King also participated in the Sixth Annual Conference of the SCLC in Birmingham in Sept. 1962.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
157-6-4-294	(15)✓	157-6-4-445	(16)✓
376	(15)✓	446	(16)✓
436	(15)✓	451	(16)✓
442	(16)	A- Washington	(16)✓
444	(16)	Capital News	
		Service 10/31/61	

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The following references in the file captioned, "Racial Matters, Atlanta, Ga.", file no. 157-6-2, contain information pertaining to the activities of Martin Luther King from 12/15/61 to 9/14/62. King, as president of the SCLC, was active in racial integration and desegregation in Ga. King participated in racial demonstrations in Albany, Ga., which were sponsored by the Albany Movement, a Negro group which advocated desegregation of facilities in Albany. King was arrested and he was a party in the legal proceedings in local and US Courts in regard to these racial demonstrations in Albany.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
157-6-2-215	(8)	157-6-2-499	(10)
217	(8)	501	(11)
220X	(8)	503	(11)
222	(8)	504	(11)
224	(8)	505	(11)
232X	(8)	508	(11)
395	(8)	516	(11)
415	(8)	517	(11)
420	(8)	525	(11)
423	(8)	526	(11)
427	(8)	527	(11)
429	(8)	529	(11)
431(Director's notation)	(20)	530	(11)
437	(9)	535	(11)
438	(9)	537	(12)
439	(9)	544	(12)
440	(9)	546	(12)
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157-6-2-671	(14)✓	157-6-2-756	(15)✓
672	(14)✓	768	(15)✓
693	(14)✓	775	(15)✓
704	(14)✓	790	(15)✓
707	(14)✓	800	(15)✓
709	(14)✓	833	(15)✓
715	(14)✓	846	(15)✓
726	(14)✓	A "Evening Star" 7/16/62	(15)✓
739	(14)✓	A Washington Capital News Service 7/25/62	(15)✓
740	(14)✓		
741	(14)✓		
748	(14)✓		

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The following references are clippings of newspaper articles which contain information in regard to the activities of Martin Luther King as indicated below.

TITLE OF ARTICLE	INFORMATION	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
"King's Role in Award of Loan Charter Revealed"	King was reported to have made a phone call to the chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board in an effort to get a savings and loan charter for his friends in Miami.	29-0-A-"Washington Post and Times Herald" 6/21/62 p.A-8	(2)✓
"Negro Voters"	King spoke at a meeting of the Drug and Hospital Employees Union in NY about efforts to register the South's eligible Negro voters.	56-0-A- Washington Capital News Service 9/26/61	(3)✓
"AFL-CIO to Hear Dr. Luther King On Integration"	King had accepted an invitation to speak on 12/11/61 at the biennial AFL-CIO convention in Miami Beach, Fla.	62-56921-A- "Evening Star" 11/22/61 p.A5	(3)✓
"Pardon Scales Kennedy Asked"	A petition with 450 names had been submitted to President Kennedy asking him to pardon Junius Scales, one-time North Carolina communist leader. King was listed among the individuals who had signed the petition.	100-11592-A "NY World Telegram" 4/5/62 p.2	(4)✓
"And Now About Junius Scales"	A petition sponsored by some 550 Americans appealed to President Kennedy to pardon Junius Scales. King was listed among the individuals who had sponsored the petition.	100-11592-A-"NY Post" 4/8/62, Magazine Section p.8	(4)✓

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TITLE OF ARTICLE	INFORMATION	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
"500 Church Leaders Bid Gov't Halt Arms Race"	King was listed among the church leaders who signed a statement en- titled "A Christian Approach to Nuclear War" issued by the Church Peace Mission 475 Riverside Drive.	100-50869-A- "The Worker" 4/8/62 p.1	(4)✓
"Backs 2d Emancipation Proclamation"	King had announced a campaign for 5 million signatures petitioning President Kennedy "to issue an executive order which would be the Second Emancipation Proclamation"	100-429111-A- "New Crusader" Weekly Edition 6/2/62 p.10	(5)✓
"South's Voting Bigotry Gone With the Wind", Column, "Inside Labor" by Victor Riesel	Reported the activities of King in regard to voter registration in Mississippi.	157-6-A- "NY Mirror" 4/5/62 p.28	(7)✓
"US Negroes Urged By Dr. King to Enlist in Social Revolution"	Reported the speeches of King in Washington, D.C., to promote the voter registration drive of the SCLC.	157-6-A- "Washington Post and Times Herald" 4/9/62, p.B-1	(7)✓
"Segregation", Column captioned, "The World Today"	King was sentenced to 45 days in Albany, Ga., for parading without a permit last Dec. in Albany.	157-6-A- "Washington Daily News" 7/11/62 p.3	(7)✓

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TITLE OF ARTICLE	INFORMATION	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
"Terror in Mississippi"	Recently King called for a non-violent army of youth to go to the South to help in the Negro voter registration drive.	157-6-33-A- "Wall Street Journal" Nov. 1961	(16)✓
"Asks U.S. To Protect Jailed Alabama Cleric"	King sent a message to AG Kennedy asking that he make some move to protect Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth who was in jail in Birmingham, Ala.	157-417-A- "Daily Defender" 1/30/62, p.2, col.4, Chicago, Ill.	(17)✓
"AFL-CIO puts an 'Okay' tag on Jimcrow"	The AFL-CIO Executive Council rejected a program for fighting discrimination in unions. King called the council's action "shocking and deplorable."	61-7562-A- "National Guardian" 10/23/61 p.10	(3)✓
"Civil Liberties Aide Sees Discrimination End Near"	On 6 7/57 King received an honorary doctor of laws degree at Howard University, Washington, D.C. (Included photograph of King receiving degree)	62-101087-A "Washington Star" 6, 8/57 p. A-2	(3)✓



REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY

The following reference on Martin Luther King located in a file maintained in the Special File Room of the Files and Communications Division, Records Branch, was not reviewed:

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-392452-145	(5)✓

See the search slip filed behind file for other references on this subject which contain the same information (SI) that is set out in the main file. Differences in source and additional non-pertinent information will be noted on the search slip.

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. McGowan  
1 - Mr. Lavin  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Evans

Date: January 13, 1963

To: Mr. Earl I. Bernhard  
Staff Director  
Commission on Civil Rights  
722 Jackson Place, Northwest  
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: RACIAL SITUATION  
ALBANY, GEORGIA  
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DATE 11-5-80 BY SP4 JRM/ld  
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In connection with the allegations made by Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., which appeared in the November 13, 1962, issue of "The New York Times" following his interview by a reporter on November 13, 1962, which allegations have been previously brought to your attention, I wish to inform you that numerous attempts have been made by officials of this Bureau to contact Reverend Mr. King to point out the inaccuracies in his unfounded allegations concerning the work performed by this Bureau in connection with the Albany, Georgia, situation.

It is now obvious to this Bureau, due to the evasive tactics of Reverend Mr. King, that he has no desire to be told the true facts concerning this situation. As an instance of his insincerity, an attempt was made by an official of this Bureau to contact Reverend Mr. King on November 27, 1962. Upon learning the identity of the caller, his secretary advised that Reverend Mr. King was "off in another building writing a book." She further stated that he preferred not to be disturbed and it would be impossible to talk with him.

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SEE MEMO ROSEN TO BELMONT, ABOVE CAPTION,  
1/17/63, RBL:cag.

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Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
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Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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Another attempt was made on November 28, 1962, and it was ascertained that Reverend Mr. King had left instructions with his secretary that he would not have time for an interview and that he was moving around the country. The secretary further advised that Reverend Mr. King would call this Bureau when he was willing to sit down for an interview. He has not called since that date.

In view of Reverend Mr. King's evasive conduct in this matter, no further attempts are being undertaken by this Bureau to contact him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Mohr

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION, Albany, ~~UNAPPROPRIATE~~  
 RACIAL MATTERS (Article by ~~AND FIF~~  
 Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
 critical of FBI)

DATE: January 15, 1963

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Mr. Belmont's memorandum of November 26, 1962, reflected the alternatives in interviewing Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., who had criticized the work of the FBI in relation to the Albany situation. The Director approved the suggestion that Mr. Sullivan and I handle the interview with Rev. King.

Following approval, I immediately tried to contact Rev. King telephonically on November 27, 1962.

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Rev. King does not have a phone at his residence. We then attempted to contact him at his church in Atlanta. His secretary advised, upon being told who was trying to contact him, that Rev. King was "off in another building writing a book." She further stated that Rev. King preferred not to be disturbed and that it would be impossible to talk to him. That same day I called the SAC at Atlanta and instructed him to attempt to contact Rev. King and set up an interview for Mr. Sullivan and me. SAC Atlanta advised the following day, November 28, that Rev. King had left instructions with his secretary that he did not have time for an interview, that he was moving around the country. The secretary further advised the SAC that Rev. King would call us when he was willing to sit down for an interview. Rev. King has not called since that date.

It would appear obvious that Rev. King does not desire to be told the true facts. He obviously used deceit, lies and treachery as propaganda to further his own causes.

Realizing the above, I recommended, the Director approved, that I talk with Mr. MacKay, publisher of the four Afro-American newspapers. This interview was handled and reported by memorandum. The interview was based on the fact that the Afro-American newspapers had published Rev. King's lies, quoting him exclusively. In talking with Mr. MacKay I carefully went over each allegation by Rev. King and set him straight with respect to these lies. MacKay offered no

## Enclosure

1 - Mr. Belmont 1 - Mr. McGowan  
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Memo DeLoach to Mohr

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Re: Racial Situation, Albany, Ga.,  
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argument and in the following week's issue of his newspapers quoted us for the record. A letter was also prepared to John H. Sengstacke, Publisher, "Chicago Defender," dated November 29, 1962, (copy attached) setting the record straight. Sengstacke, whom we know most favorably, published the letter putting the lie to Rev. King's allegations. *Handled separately*

ACTION:

The record concerning Rev. King's allegations has been covered. Interviews with the publishers of the newspapers who carried Rev. King's lies have been conducted and they have been set straight. I see no further need to contacting Rev. King inasmuch as he obviously does not desire to be given the truth. The fact that he is a vicious liar is amply demonstrated in the fact he constantly associates with and takes instructions from Stanley Levison who is a hidden member of the Communist Party in New York. *(S)*

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358916)

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SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5021) (P)

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL  
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(OO: NEW YORK)

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Re New York airtel to Bureau, captioned MARTIN LUTHER KING, SM-C (OO: Atlanta), dated 1/7/63; New York tel to Atlanta and Savannah, dated 1/10/63, captioned HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, IS-C (OO: New York); Savannah tel to Atlanta and New York, dated 1/10/63, captioned HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, IS-C (OO: New York); telephone call from Inspector JOSEPH SIZOO to ASAC, Savannah, on 1/11/63; New York tel to Savannah, dated 1/11/63; Savannah tel to Atlanta and New York, dated 1/11/63.

Enclosed under separate cover for the Bureau is one roll of 16 mm exposed film taken of individuals believed to be J. LOWERY, F. SHUTTLEWORTH, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, J. WALKER, and MARTIN LUTHER KING, who boarded Delta Flight # 422 at Savannah, Georgia, at 5:25 A.M., on January 12, 1963.

The Bureau is requested to develop this roll of film and return the developed film to Savannah after the film has been scrutinized for possible intelligence, inasmuch as some of the film contains practice footage, in order that the Savannah Office may edit the film to determine the success in the shooting of the practice footage. It should be noted that discreet attempts were made to obtain photos of STANLEY LEVISON on January 11, 1963, at night, at the Savannah railroad terminal, with negative results.

- ③- Bureau (Registered Mail)
  - (2- 100-358916)
  - (1- 100-106670)
- 1- Package (Registered Mail)
- 2- Atlanta (100-6073) (Registered Mail)
- 2- New York (Registered Mail)
  - (1- 100-91330)
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- 2- Savannah (100-5021)

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For information of the interested offices, NYO by teletype dated January 10, 1963, advised that J. O'DELL had reservation on Delta Flight # 89, leaving Idlewild Airport, New York City, 9:15 P.M., January 9, 1963; he arrived in Atlanta at 11:30 P.M., and had a reservation on Delta Flight # 427, leaving Atlanta for Savannah at 7:10 A.M., January 10, 1963. The teletype also reflected that STANLEY LEVISON was leaving New York City, January 9, 1963, via train, arriving Atlanta 6:50 A.M., January 10, 1963.

Due to the lack of established sources, discreet observations were conducted at the Savannah air terminal by SAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who had been previously advised telephonically by the Atlanta Office that their inquiries had ascertained that a party of ten (10) was on flight # 427. These individuals were identified as R. D. ABERNATHY, J. LOWERY, F. SHUTTLEWORTH, JACK O'DELL, MARTIN LUTHER KING, J. WALKER, D. COTTON, LAWSON, C. JONES, and A. YOUNG. Upon arrival of this group at the Savannah air terminal, they were met by a white individual, about 5 ft. 7 in., 160 lbs., wearing dark horn-rimmed glasses, a gray felt hat, gray scarf, and a gray tweedy overcoat. This individual approached KING in such a manner that it was evident that they were well acquainted. In the ensuing conversation, KING was overheard to introduce the female DOROTHY COTTON, who is the Educational Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference at McIntosh, Georgia, to STANLEY LEVISON, who was in the terminal prior to the arrival of Delta Flight # 427 from Atlanta. LEVISON's presence in the terminal prior to the arrival of the flight indicates that he took the train from New York to Savannah. b7(c)

During their stay in the terminal, KING was overheard to call "HUNTER", who is believed to be HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, and an introduction was made to LEVISON by KING of a young Negro who was called "ANDY". This is believed to be Rev. ANDREW YOUNG, one of the instructors at the Dorchester Community Center at McIntosh, Georgia. This group was observed to rent a vehicle from Avis Car Rental System at the terminal, a 1962 Chevrolet, and later the group was observed to enter a 1962 Ford bearing 1962 Georgia license 1 J 52375, which is registered to Rev. ANDREW J. YOUNG of Atlanta. Previous information concerning

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YOUNG is set forth on page 4 of Savannah letter to Bureau dated August 26, 1962, captioned 'HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, aka., IS - C (OO - New York) and ROSEA HERMAN HUDSON, Sr., aka., SM - C (OO - New York)'. While the group, including LEVISON, was in the process of entering the vehicles, two unidentified Negro males, carrying cameras, approached the group and took photos of the group, after which the group then left the terminal.

The two photographers then proceeded west to the end of the terminal and toward the flight line where they were observed to take photographs of two white males, using the terminal as the background of the photographs. After the photographs, the four walked through the lobby of the terminal and out to the parking lot located in front of the terminal. They were observed to enter a dark colored 1962 Chevrolet and proceed from the parking lot, turn left, and go to the area where private aircraft are parked. After a short period of time, this same vehicle was observed to leave this area and proceed toward Highway 80. Inquiries made of the parking area attendant disclosed that the tickets did not reflect the license numbers of the vehicles, but it was determined that the 1962 dark colored Chevrolet had Georgia license plates indicating that it belonged to a resident of Chatham County. The attendant also volunteered that it appeared peculiar to him, inasmuch as he had observed that a white man was sitting alongside of a Negro man, rather than being segregated. This observation caused him to be suspicious, and he stated that he saw the car proceed to the area where the private planes park, and he observed two additional white men get into the vehicle, after which they proceeded toward Highway 80.

Discreet inquiries from the Gulf gasoline truck driver determined that a Beach Twin Bonanza had, within the hour, landed and refueled. The driver stated that he was of the opinion that this plane had gone around to the terminal and dropped off two passengers, after which it proceeded back to the area where it was parked. He stated that, after a short period of time, a dark colored car had arrived in the area and the pilot and co-pilot



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had been observed to enter the vehicle. A closer observation of this plane disclosed that it had the advertising on the fuselage of the AMERICAN BOWLING ENTERPRISES, INC..

At approximately noon, on January 11, 1963, the parking area attendant at the terminal advised that he had observed a dark blue 1961 Chevrolet proceed to the Beach Twin Bonanza plane, and stated that the same man was driving this vehicle. He advised that he became curious and, when they began to make the return trip, he took a walk towards the road and observed the license plate to be 1962 Georgia license [REDACTED], which was subsequently determined to be registered to b7(c)  
[REDACTED]

In the afternoon of January 11, 1963, discreet observations of the Dorchester Community Center, McIntosh, Georgia, disclosed two cars, similar in description to the vehicles in which the group left the Savannah air terminal, were parked in front of the Dorchester Community Center. This was unusual, since previous reports pertaining to the Dorchester Community Center, as set out in Savannah letter of August 29, 1962, indicate numerous cars had been observed at the Dorchester Community Center on various occasions.

On January 11, 1963, at 10:00 A.M., Inspector JOSEPH BIZOO telephonically requested the Savannah Office, if they could do so discreetly, to obtain photographs of MARTIN LUTHER KING in the company of STANLEY LEVISON, CLARENCE JONES, and HUNTER PITTS O'DELL. He advised that, if the Savannah Office should attempt to take photographs, it should be most discreet and to be assured that these individuals did not know that photos were being made.

By teletype dated January 11, 1963, the New York Office advised that that office did not desire surveillance of O'DELL, in view of the apparent nature of the meeting involving leaders of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and requested Savannah to check with Delta Air Lines for the O'DELL reservation out of Savannah.

[redacted] advised, [redacted] that reservations for Delta Flight # 422, leaving Savannah 8:25 A.M., on January 11, 1963, were held by R. D. ABERNATHY to Atlanta; F. SHUTTLEWORTH to Cincinnati, and J. LOWERY to Nashville. These individuals advised that they could be reached through telephone # TU 4-216 at Midway, Georgia. On January 11, 1963, [redacted] advised that LOWERY, SHUTTLEWORTH, O'DELL, KING, and WALKER held reservations on Flight # 422, Savannah to Atlanta, DELTA AIR LINES, departing Savannah 8:25 A.M., January 11, 1963. LOWERY had reservations on EASTERN AIR LINES Flight # 166 to Nashville, and SHUTTLEWORTH had reservations to Cincinnati via Flight # 740. [redacted] stated that O'DELL had a reservation in his name, but later cancelled the reservation and changed the name of the reservation to HUNTER. Through the cooperation of [redacted] b7(D)

[redacted] It was determined that LEVISON had a reservation on Atlantic Coast Line train # 82, "WEST COAST CHAMPION," bedroom D, car A, leaving Savannah at 8:45 P.M. on January 11, 1963, scheduled to arrive New York City, 11:50 A.M., on January 12, 1963. b7(D)

A photo fixer was instituted at the Savannah railroad terminal, about 7:00 P.M., on January 11, 1963, by SAS [redacted] b7(c)

[redacted] with ASAC [redacted] in charge. About 8:30 P.M., STANLEY LEVISON was observed to enter the Savannah railroad terminal, after shaking hands with a Negro male who was identified as ANDREW YOUNG, and YOUNG was observed leaving in a 1962 Ford which had on it 1962 Georgia license 1 J 52875. LEVISON was observed to meet in the depot three women and two men, all of the Negro race. The three Negro women and one Negro man were observed to leave in a late model car bearing 1963 Georgia license 3 J 196; while the other Negro man was observed to leave in a 1966 Dodge bearing 1962 Georgia license [redacted]. It was determined that 1962 Georgia license [redacted] is registered to a [redacted] b7(c)

[redacted] who, through a search of the [redacted] records, disclosed that he is a Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force and is a Negro male. It is assumed that [redacted] possibly traded this car in for a newer model and that the vehicle was subsequently purchased by the unidentified Negro male. b7(D)

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Upon arrival of train # 92 in the station, LEVISON boarded it. Attempts were made to discreetly obtain photographs of LEVISON, but without success due to the lighting conditions in and around the railroad terminal.

On January 12, 1963, about 7:15 A.M., a photo fisur was instituted at the Savannah air terminal by SAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] with ASAC [REDACTED] in charge. At approximately 8:00 A.M., KING was observed to drive up in the rented Chevrolet, accompanied by several other Negroes, who were later observed to enter the plane on flight # 422. For security reasons, the Leica camera was not utilized. It should be noted that, on the morning of January 12, 1963, during the time of the observations, there was an overcast of strata-nimbus clouds, which may have caused insufficient light to take good photographs. The 16 mm film, which is being forwarded under separate cover, will reflect photos of the boarding of these individuals at the Savannah air terminal. b7(c)

It has not been determined how DOROTHY COTTON, LAWSON, C. JONES, and ANDREW YOUNG departed from the Dorchester Community Center.

The records of the [REDACTED] which were caused to be searched [REDACTED] disclosed that [REDACTED] is currently employed as the manager [REDACTED], located on [REDACTED]. After inquiries were made at his residence, with negative results, [REDACTED] was contacted at the [REDACTED] b7(D)

[REDACTED] was used as a pretext by SA [REDACTED] to determine if he was one of the two cameramen observed at the Savannah Municipal Air Terminal on January 10. b7(c)

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After observing various photographs on the wall in his office, inquiries were made as to the photographer, and [redacted] advised that he took his own photographs; but, since he had not gone fully into the field of photography as a hobby, he volunteered that his film was developed by PHOTOCRAFT. He expanded on the various enterprises in which he was involved, as well as the March of Dimes, and appeared to be very cooperative. [redacted] b7(c)

[redacted] which, he claimed, are installed by the [redacted] which accounts for the airplane observed at the private landing area near the Savannah air terminal.

[redacted] PHOTOCRAFT [redacted] was contacted on [redacted] and inquiries were made as to whether [redacted] had dropped off any film in the recent past to be developed. [redacted] advised that, during the previous evening, [redacted] had dropped into the night box one roll of film. [redacted] located the envelope containing the film, which he exhibited to SA [redacted], and it was noted that the whole roll of film had been underexposed, resulting in no photographs. It should be noted that it is not known at this time whether or not this roll of film was in [redacted] camera at the time that he took photographs of the group on January 10. [redacted] advised that he would immediately contact the Savannah Office, in the event [redacted] brought in another roll of film for development, and he agreed to let an Agent look at the pictures printed from the roll, to determine if that roll of film was pertinent. b7(c)

In regard to [redacted] the records of which were searched on [redacted] reflect that [redacted] is a [redacted] having Air Force [redacted] with previous employment at [redacted] Air Force Base, [redacted] b7(D)  
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Through the cooperation [redacted] it was determined, at the Pass and [redacted] b7(c)  
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Registration Section, that a 1956 Dodge 4-Door, bearing 1962 Georgia license [REDACTED] was given [REDACTED] Air Force Base decal [REDACTED] in the name of [REDACTED] as a permit for a dependent to have use of the facilities on [REDACTED] Air Force Base, Georgia. The records indicate that [REDACTED] is still on active duty with the Air Force, but did not give the Base to which he is currently assigned.

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A physical inspection of [REDACTED] on the afternoon of [REDACTED] failed to disclose any vehicle parked in the yard of that residence; however, there were two mail boxes in front of the residence, one of which reflected the name of [REDACTED] with address of [REDACTED]

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Savannah indices are negative regarding [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Savannah will maintain contact with PHOTOCRAFT, INC., in an effort to peruse prints of film brought in by [REDACTED] in an effort to obtain a copy of the photo taken of the group at the Savannah Municipal Air Terminal on January 10, 1963.

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DATE: 1/15/63

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358916)  
SAC, NEW YORK (100-91330)  
SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5021)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6078) (P)

RE: HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, Aka.  
IS-C; IS-50  
(OO: New York)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 11-5-80 BY SP4JRM/ia  
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Re New York airtel to Bureau dated 1/7/63 captioned  
"MARTIN LUTHER KING, SM-C," New York teletype to Atlanta and  
Savannah dated 1/10/63 (Interoffice) and Savannah teletypes to  
Atlanta and New York dated 1/10/63 and 1/11/63 (Interoffice).

[REDACTED] Atlanta, Georgia, telephonically  
advised SA [REDACTED] that she had been reading in the  
newspapers that the subject was a Communist and the fact that  
Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., had released the subject  
when he found him to be connected with the Communist Party.

[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED]  
that an Anti-Defamation League representative approached  
a representative of the SCLC at a recent Nashville, Tennessee,

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(1- 100-106670) (Martin Luther King, Jr.)  
(1- ~~100-392452~~) (Stanley Levison)  
(1- ~~100-438794~~) (Cominfil SCLC)  
5- New York (2- 100-91330) (RM)  
(1- 100-149194) (SCLC)  
(1- 100-136585) (Martin Luther King, Jr.)  
(1- 100-111180) (Stanley Levison)  
3- Savannah (2- 100-5021) (RM)  
(1- 100- ) (Cominfil SCLC)  
6- Atlanta (2- 100-6078)  
(1- 100-5586) (Martin Luther King, Jr.)  
(1- 100-5718) (SCLC)  
(1- 100-6352) (Stanley Levison)  
(1- 100- ) (Wyatt T. Walker)

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conference held in the latter part of December, 1962. [REDACTED] stated that the reason for this approach was to determine O'DELL's status with SCLC. [REDACTED] understood based on this contact that O'DELL continues to be involved with SCLC in New York City in a fund raising capacity although he is not currently on the SCLC payroll. b7(D)

██████████ also stated that he understands WYATT T. WALKER's job as Executive Director of SCLC is in jeopardy. ██████████ said he does not know the reason why WALKER is about to lose his job and stated that this was just rumor. ██████████ said another rumor that was going around was that WALKER's secretary, EDWINA SMITH and O'DELL are engaged to be married.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised SPC [REDACTED] telephonically that the following individuals were leaving Atlanta at 7:10 a.m. on January 10, 1963, on Delta Airlines Flight 427 for Savannah:

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R. D. ABERNATHY  
D. COTTON  
J. LAWSON  
J. LOWERY  
C. JONES  
M. KING  
J. O'DELL  
F. SHUTTLESWORTH  
W. WALKER  
A. YOUNG

All of the above individuals are undoubtedly identical with officers of the SCLC and are known to the Atlanta Office as RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Secretary-Treasurer; DOROTHY COTTON, Secretary to Educational Director; CLARENCE JONES, Head of the Gandy Society in New York City which is merely a branch of the SCLC; MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., president of the SCLC; WYATT T. WALKER, Executive Director and ANDREW YOUNG a Congregational Minister who is acting in an official capacity with SCLC Headquarters in Atlanta. J. LAWSON, J. LOWERY and F. SHUTTLESWORTH are representatives of SCLC from outside the Atlanta Headquarters.

[REDACTED] Atlanta, Georgia, advised SA [REDACTED] that they had no knowledge of the Dorchester Meeting of SCLC.

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[REDACTED] Atlanta, Georgia, advised SA [REDACTED] he had no information regarding the Dorchester Meeting. [REDACTED] are all sources of information whose identity should be covered per their request. They are all familiar with some activities of SCLC in the racial field.

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AT 100-6078  
RRN:elt

Atlanta will continue efforts to obtain information regarding the Dorchester Meeting of SCLC and will continue efforts to determine O'DELL's activities and movements in Atlanta.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Evans	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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Via AIRTEL

DECLASSIFIED BY *SP1 GSK/89* (Priority or Method of Mailing)  
ON *9-25-80*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)  
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
SM-C  
(OO: Atlanta)

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ON *11-5-80* *SP4 JRM/1*  
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[redacted] advised on 1/4/63, that on the morning of that date, CLARENCE JONES, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society of Human Rights, contacted STANLEY LEVISON at LEVISON's apartment in NYC. [redacted]

JONES informed LEVISON that he just got a message from Atlanta "from MARTIN" (LUTHER KING). JONES said that [redacted]

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    - (1-100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON)
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  - 5-Atlanta (100-5586) (RM)
    - (2-100-6078) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL)
    - (1-100-5718) (COMINFIL SCLC)
  - 4-Savannah (RM)
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    - (1-100- ) (COMINFIL SCLC)
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  - 1-New York (100-149194) (SCLC) (41)
  - 1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY D. LEVISON) (414)
  - 1-New York (100-136585)
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*A.G., Int. Sec. Dept.*  
*C. Right - inst.*  
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MARTIN would like "the both of us" to come down to Dorchester (Ga.) on the 10th and the 11th because "they're going to be having a closeted review of where they are - a critical review." LEVISON commented that it sounded fine to him and he would probably go down on Wednesday (1/9/63) via Delta Airlines. JONES said he has a meeting in NYC, Wednesday evening so that he could not get a flight before 11:30 p.m. or later. JONES and LEVISON agreed to talk later regarding their plans for the trip.

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[REDACTED] further advised on 1/6/63, that on the evening of that date, JONES again contacted LEVISON regarding their trip to Georgia later in the week. JONES stated that JACK (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) had called him long distance from Atlanta and that JACK was going to see JONES tonight after returning from Atlanta. JONES commented that JACK was long overdue in returning to New York. LEVISON stated that JACK should be in "this discussion." JONES agreed and stated it was JACK's own idea to return to NY. JONES and LEVISON plan to take a 7:00 a.m. flight together on Thursday, 1/10/63, from Atlanta to Savannah. LEVISON plans to fly to Atlanta Wednesday evening and spend the night in a hotel. JONES expects to get into Atlanta at "some ghastly hour."

Atlanta determine dates and purpose of O'DELL's presence in Atlanta. Atlanta and Savannah, through established sources, should follow LEVISON's activities while in your area.

*1/11/63 - ASAC. Kink was initiated to determine if King could be photographed with Levison, O'Dell, Hunter, etc. but with no endorsement of ASAC. No contact as one of Jones with O'Dell.*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS* DATE: January 11, 1963

FROM : Mr. J. F. Bland *JFB* 1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Haack  
1 - Mr. Forsyth

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Information has been received indicating Martin Luther King, Jr., had requested Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones to meet with him at Dorchester. This was determined to be the Dorchester Cooperative Center which is located in McIntosh, Georgia, a small Negro rural community south of Savannah, Georgia, which Savannah has advised is a place which the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which is headed by Martin Luther King, Jr., has used as a training base for the "Albany movement." During 1962 large groups of Negroes had been reported to hold meetings there on weekends and appeared to be training for marches and mass demonstrations.

This meeting was to be held on January 10 or 11, 1963. New York had set out leads for Atlanta and Savannah to follow Levison's activities while in their areas.

During the morning of January 11, 1963, Inspector Joseph A. Sizoo telephonically advised ASAC Charles Cusick of Savannah to determine if photographic coverage was feasible and whether it was possible to get pictures of King in association with Stanley Levison, Hosea Hudson, Clarence Jones, Hunter Pitts O'Dell and any other individuals who can be identified with the Communist Party or CP fronts. Cusick was cautioned to be extremely cautious in order to avoid embarrassment to the Bureau. He was instructed to make no contact with the press without clearance from the Bureau.

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan  
Re: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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During the afternoon of January 11, ASAC Cusick telephonically advised Inspector Sizoo that because of the inadequate security, it would be impossible to conduct a surveillance and take photographs in the area of the Dorchester Cooperative Center. He advised, however, that King and O'Dell, with O'Dell traveling under the name of Hunter, would leave Savannah by air during the morning of January 12. He stated that Savannah Agents would attempt to photograph King and O'Dell under proper security at the airport. He further advised that Levison was leaving Savannah by train tonight (1-11-63) and photographic surveillances will be established under proper security at the railroad station. ASAC Cusick stated he would keep the Bureau promptly advised of the results. (e)

ACTION:

For information. Savannah will be followed closely for the results of the surveillance.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
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On January 4, 1963, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Clarence Jones, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, was in contact with Stanley Levison to inform Levison that Martin Luther King, Jr., had requested that he and Levison meet King in Dorchester, Georgia, on January 10 or 11, 1963, because "They're going to be having a closeted review of where they are--a critical review." They made arrangements to leave New York on January 9, 1963, to effect this meeting.

This same source advised on January 6, 1963, that Jones again contacted Levison to advise that Hunter Bitts O'Dell was returning from Atlanta to New York City. Levison voiced the opinion that O'Dell should be in on the planned discussions.

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Clarence Jones is a former member of the Labor Youth League and currently active in support of the activities of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Stanley David Levison, who recently organized the Ghandi Society for Human Rights in King's name, has been described by a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, as a secret member of the Communist Party.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on December 19, 1962, that Clarence Jones, who is a former member of the Labor Youth League and presently Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, and Stanley Levison had a discussion in New York City on that date. Stanley Levison, who recently organized the Ghandi Society for Human Rights in Martin Luther King's name, has been described by an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past as a secret member of the Communist Party. Jones mentioned to Levison that he had recently talked with Martin Luther King and King advised him that he had recently been to see President Kennedy and was most impressed with the President's knowledge of King's writings, as well as the President's awareness of events in the civil rights field. Jones stated it was obvious to King that President Kennedy had been well briefed prior to the meeting and he apparently had done considerable reading along this line. Jones told Levison that King had made the statement that the President is so well informed that he cites "your own material to you." (S)

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This matter is being classified "Secret" of the sensitive nature of the sources.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
 IS-C  
 (OO: ATLANTA)

Enclosed herewith are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between CLARENCE JONES, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, and STANLEY LEVISON, which took place in New York City, on 12/19/62.

This memorandum has been classified "Confidential" because it contains information from the above two sources, the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CPUSA, and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of the country.

- 4 - Bureau (100-106670) (Encls. 6) (RM)  
 (1 - 100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON)  
 2 - Atlanta (100-5586) (Encls. 2) (RM)  
 1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)  
 1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (414)  
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New York, New York  
December 20, 1962 ~~Secret~~

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Re: Martin Luther King  
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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 19, 1962, that Clarence Jones, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, and Stanley Levison, had a discussion in New York City, on December 19, 1962.

Jones mentioned to Levison that Jones had recently talked with Martin Luther King. According to Jones, King had just seen President Kennedy the previous day and was most impressed with the President's knowledge of King's writings and with the President's awareness of events in the civil rights field. It was obvious to King that President Kennedy was well briefed prior to the meeting, but apparently had also done some reading along this line. According to King, the President is so well informed that he cites "your own material to you".

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Re: Martin Luther King

Levison asked what specific points the President cited to King. Jones replied that he also wanted to know the answer to this question but that King was on the run catching a plane and did not have time to go into detail. Levison told Jones that it would be worthwhile for Jones to make a call to King to find out the specific points that President Kennedy pointed out in his conversation with King because these points could be used as a guide line by King to determine the Administration's thinking with respect to the civil rights problem.

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- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Forsyth
- 1 - Mr. Haack

December 27, 1962

BY COURIER SERVICE

Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell  
Special Assistant to the President  
Executive Office Building  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

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that it would be worthwhile for him to make a call on King to find out what specific points the President had made in his conversation with King because these points could be used as a guideline for King to determine the Administration's thinking with respect to the civil rights problem. ~~S~~

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Via AIRTEL  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358916)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-91330)  
SUBJECT: HUNTER PITTS O'DELL  
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(OO: NY)

[REDACTED] advised on 12/7/62, that on that date, CLARENCE JONES, who is the acting executive director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, contacted STANLEY LEVISON at LEVISON's apartment in NYC. [REDACTED] b(2) b(7)(D)

JONES and LEVISON discussed the advance ticket sale of the affair to be held in Westchester, NY on December 11, 1962, that will benefit the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). LEVISON and JONES expressed disappointment in the advance sale, stating they will make a profit (for SCLC), but not as much a profit as they had anticipated. [REDACTED]

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(1-100-438794) (COMINFIL SCLC)  
(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
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(1-100-5718) (COMINFIL SCLC)  
(1-100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)  
1-New York (100-149194) (SCLC) (41)  
1-New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (421)  
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JONES stated that he had spoken to JACK (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) that day (12/7/62) and JACK mentioned working as a volunteer. LEVISON then stated that "they (SCLC) accepted his (O'DELL's) resignation and he received severance pay for a number of weeks and then off the payroll for around 30 days, and then they will reconsider and probably rehire him so it is entirely consistent with the statement issued." (By the SCLC). [REDACTED]

JONES also mentioned that JACK had talked about going down there (Atlanta) around the middle of December and talk with MARTIN (LUTHER KING). [REDACTED]



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It is noted that information concerning O'DELL being a concealed member of the Party's National Committee appeared in the Long Island Star - Journal newspaper in New York, on 10/26/62, and that similar information has also appeared in southern newspapers.

The characterization of LEVISON as set forth in New York letterhead of 11/15/62, also has been used in a New York report on LEVISON classified "Confidential".

The Bureau is requested to advise whether the classification "Secret" should be afforded all future letterheads and reports in which these characterizations may be used either separately or together in the same communication or whether the classification "Secret" should be afforded only to letterhead memoranda and reports on MARTIN LUTHER KING in which these characterizations may be used.

- 4 - Bureau (100-358916) (RM)  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: December 3, 1962

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
FALSE STATEMENTS REGARDING  
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After reviewing files to ascertain all available facts which might be needed in an interview with Dr. King, Mr. Sullivan and I made an attempt to contact Dr. King in Atlanta, Georgia, Friday, November 30.

The Atlanta operator advised that there was no telephone at the residence usually occupied by Dr. King. The operator next tried the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta. A person there advised that Dr. King was away on two weeks vacation and could not be reached. Upon being asked if Dr. King was near a telephone, this person replied in the affirmative but stated Dr. King did not wish to be disturbed.

I called our Atlanta Office and in the SAC's absence, talked with ASAC Hitt. I instructed him to attempt to telephonically locate Dr. King and tell him that Mr. Sullivan and I desired to sit down and have a chat with him any time he was in the Washington or New York area. ASAC Hitt was specifically told to indicate to Dr. King that the desired conversation was not as a result of an investigation concerning Dr. King but merely for purposes of a chat with him.

ASAC Hitt called back at 2:30 PM, November 30, to advise that one of King's assistants had told him that King is at a "hideaway" writing a book and could not be reached. He stated that King will be in Alabama all of next week and will then return to Atlanta and will call ASAC Hitt at that time. ASAC Hitt mentioned it is King's usual policy to let a day or two pass, following an attempt to get in touch with him, and he will then return the call.

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Mr. Sullivan and I will closely follow this matter until an interview with King has been arranged.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. M. A. Jones

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. J. F. Bland *JFB*SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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1-Mr. Sullivan  
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1-Mr. Floyd  
1-Mr. Haack

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Connections of Hunter Pitts O'Dell with King

An editorial in the October 25, 1962, edition of the "Augusta Chronicle" identified O'Dell as being employed under the alias Jack H. O'Dell in the capacity of "Acting Executive Director" for the SCLC. Subsequently, various newspapers contained accounts of a statement issued by King on or about October 31, 1962, wherein it was stated O'Dell had resigned from his position with the SCLC. King is quoted in this statement as denying knowledge of the communist affiliations of O'Dell. He said O'Dell has functioned purely as a technician with 90% of his work taking place in the North. King also said that the SCLC has a policy that no person of known communist affiliation can serve on the staff, Executive Board, or its membership at large.

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On November 23, 1962, our New York Office developed information that a mailing house in New York City had been handling the addressing of envelopes and mailing of letters for Martin Luther King and the SCLC for the past two years and that O'Dell is the person who has been arranging this work. An official of the above-mentioned mailing house stated he considered O'Dell to be the New York representative for King and the SCLC. On November 23, 1962, and again on November 29 or 30, 1962, O'Dell contacted this official personally concerning mailing jobs for the SCLC.

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.  
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Further evidence that O'Dell continues as King's representative can be found in the fact that on December 1, 1962, O'Dell was in contact with Stanley Levison, a concealed member of the CP, and at that time stated he had just talked to King concerning a dinner with unknown parties on December 5. *S*

ACTION:

None. This is for your information. It is noted that much of the above information comes from highly placed informants who could be compromised should the information be publicly disclosed. *a*

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1-Mr. Belmont 1-Mr. Lavin  
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The Attorney General

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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11-5-W December 7, 1962

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On December 4, 1962, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on that date Stanley Levison had a discussion with a New York attorney named William Kuntsler. Kuntsler told Levison that the ticket sales for the affair to be held at the Westchester County Center in White Plains, New York, on December 11, 1962, would increase daily and that the box-office sales on that night should be good. This affair will feature entertainers Sammy Davis, Jr., and Peter Lawford and will benefit the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, of which Martin Luther King, Jr., is the President. Levison remarked to Kuntsler that he should make suggestions to King for King's speech to be made at the affair.

Kuntsler and Levison then discussed the segregation problem in Jackson, Mississippi. Kuntsler said he had been in Jackson four weeks ago and had fired up the Negro community when he spoke in seven different places concerning segregation problems. Kuntsler also said a picket line has been planned which will be composed of white and Negro individuals and will be followed by a massive Christmas boycott.

Kuntsler then told Levison he hopes to have King duplicate the walk made by William Seward on January 1, 1863, from Lafayette Square to the White House with the Emancipation Proclamation. Kuntsler plans for King to make the same walk on January 1, 1963, at which time he will be presented with a check for \$35,000 at the White House to be used for the Ghandi Society for Human Rights. This check, according to Kuntsler, will symbolize that now the Negro has become full grown. Kuntsler said he would like to have Carl Sandburg or Robert Frost accompany King on this walk; however, he has already determined that Sandburg has prior commitments.

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Levison stated he does not like the idea of a check being presented but Kuntsler remarked he does not believe the President will be at the White House on New Year's Day and said he thinks they can get an okay to walk into the White House.

Stanley David Levison, who recently organized the Ghandi Society for Human Rights in King's name, has been described by an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past as a secret member of the Communist Party.

William M. Kunstler, who may be identical with the William Kuntsler mentioned above, is a member of the firm Kunstler and Kunstler, 511 Fifth Avenue, New York City; has been an attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union; and has, in the past, acted as the legal representative of several "freedom riders" in Mississippi.

This matter is being classified "Secret" in view of the sensitive nature of the sources.

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
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- 1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
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